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Mary Slaney set a world record for the women's mile when she clocked 4 min 16.71 sec at a meeting in Zurich. In the men's mile Said Aouita, of Morocco, failed by only 0.61 of a second to beat Steve Cram's recently set world record.

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Laker clears way for BA sell-off with $8m deal

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

Sir Freddie Laker yesterday decided at the last minute to accept an $8.0 million (£5.6 million) peace offer from British Airways and other airlines, thus removing the biggest remaining obstacle to the privatization of BA.

Sir Freddie has accepted the $8 million offered in July in exchange for a promise by him not to sue over the alleged conspiracy by the airlines and others to put him out of business or stop him starting up again.

A statement issued by British Airways at 6pm yesterday said that he had accepted the offer by the deadline of midnight on Tuesday, only hours after he was challenging the main settlement with the Laker Airways liquidator in the Jersey courts and had won a delay in order to present his case.

The statement made it clear that the settlement goes further than expected by including Lonrho, the international trading group, which had threatened to start a $327 million suit against British Airways, nine other airlines and McDonnell Douglas, the American aircraft manufacturer.

It said: "An agreement has been reached with Sir Freddie Laker by which he and Lonrho plc have released any claims asserted by Sir Freddie Laker personally and/or Lonrho plc against the 12 defendants involved in the anti-trust litigation brought by the liquidator".

The settlement with the Laker liquidator has already passed American and British courts, and is now expected to go through without opposition in Jersey. That would leave only a class action brought on behalf of airline passengers by American lawyers to be settled, to allow British Airways to be sold to the public next spring.

"As with our settlement with the liquidator, our agreement with Sir Freddie Laker bears no admission of guilt on behalf of British Airways or the other defendants to drive Laker out of business or to breach US anti-trust laws.

"The advantages to British Airways and the other defendants of ridding ourselves of all aspects of the Laker litigation for a very small fraction of the total amount claimed has encouraged all parties to the litigation to reach a satisfactory out-of-court settlement".

Mr Marshall added: "Our settlement with Sir Freddie Laker now only leaves a settlement of the outstanding class actions. British Airways is making progress in its endeavours to reach a settlement in respect of class actions".

Mr Paul Spicer, a director of Lonhro, commented last night that "Lonrho's partnership with Sir Freddie Laker always recognized that the two parties would not do anything to damage each other. Consequently, if it is in Sir Freddie Laker's interest to come to an agreement on the settlement, then it is also in Lonrho's interest".

Sir Freddie Laker and Mr Colin Marshall.

Rail jobs warning on eve of vote

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Editor

British Rail last night sent a personal eve-of-ballot letter to each of its 11,000 guards guaranteeing their future employment under driver-only operation, the issue at the heart of the rapidly widening rail dispute.

The letters, which also carried the warning that the guards' jobs would be threatened by industrial action, were sent after a warning by Sir Robert Reid, chairman of British Rail, that he would shut the rail network down if necessary rather than face the crippling of services because of spreading action by the guards' union, the National Union of Railwaymen.

British Rail's moves came as Mr Jimmy Knapp, the union's general secretary, briefed Mr Norman Willis, general secretary of the TUC, on the latest developments. If requested by the rail union Mr Willis is expected to inform officially all unions of the dispute after the results of tomorrow's ballot are announced on Tuesday.

Mr Knapp said after a meeting with Mr Willis that he believed there was a "fund of goodwill" for his members in the dispute.

Mr Knapp said that South Wales miners had told his union that they would not cross picket lines and discussions between the National Union of Mineworkers and the rail union over possible further support, including a refusal to co-operate with road movements of coal normally handled by rail, are expected to take place within the next 24 hours.

Mr Bert Lyons, general secretary of the Transport Salaried Staffs Association, whose white-collar members could also face lay offs if British rail went ahead with its threat to suspend the guaranteed working week agreement in the industry, said there could be a long "war of attrition" in the industry.

Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of Aslef, the train drivers' union, distanced himself from remarks made by Mr John Walker, the union's general organizer in Scotland, who suggested that the one-man operation of trains in the Strathclyde region could form a blueprint for the rest of the country. Mr Buckton insisted that Aslef and the NUR as joint members of the Federation of Rail Unions were acting in unison.

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Welsh valleys worst affected

British Rail regional offices reported this situation last night: Southern and London Midland: normal services; Eastern: No service on King's Cross suburban line to Welwyn Garden City and Hertford, about 100 trains cancelled. Ten per cent cancellations on the outer suburban King's Cross service to Cambridgeshire, fewer than 10 trains affected; Western: "Virtually no trains" on the Cardiff Valleys commuter lines, about 150 trains cancelled; two InterCity cancellations out of 50; Scottish: most Glasgow commuter lines shut down, with 100 trains cancelled: no services on the Cathcart Circle or to Neilston, Newton, Barrhead and East Kilbride; no local services to Kilmarnock.

A casually-dressed Princess of Wales leaves St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, yesterday after visiting her sister, Lady Jane Fellowes, who gave birth to a second daughter. (Photograph: *The London Standard*).

US claims KGB uses chemical to track envoys

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The United States yesterday accused the Soviet Union of secretly using potentially cancer-causing chemicals to track the movements and activities of American diplomats in Moscow.

The State Department demanded an immediate halt to the practice. It said it had protested to the Russians "in the strongest terms". It said there was no evidence yet that anyone had suffered ill effects, from exposure to these tracking agents, but American embassy families were yesterday briefed on what is known of the health implications.

The sensational accusation said the US had recently discovered that the Soviet authorities had been using these chemicals "for a number of years". It said other embassies as well as unofficial Americans in Moscow, such as journalists and businessmen, may also have been targeted and are being informed.

The most extensively used of the tracking agents, NPPD (nitro phenyl pentadien), has been found through biological screening tests to be a mutagen which could cause cancer in human beings. Extensive tests by the National Institutes of Health and the Environmental Protection Agency will be carried out to discover the extent of diplomats' exposure to NPPD and other compounds, and the long-term threat to their health. A special team of investigators will be sent to the Moscow embassy.

The statement said the powdery substances were applied "indirectly" to embassy personnel. US officials privately suggested the compounds were sprayed on doorknobs and the steering wheels of cars, leaving deposits on the diplomats' hands and clothes. Minute amounts could be transferred to anyone the Americans came into contact with, making it easier for the KGB to keep track of any Russians the diplomats met.

The timing of the embarrassing accusation is sure to enrage the Russians and augurs ill for the atmosphere for the Reagan-Gorbachov summit meeting in November. Senior administration officials said they had known about the general use of tracking chemicals since the 1970s, but their use then was sporadic and the US believed the KGB had stopped in 1982.

The American embassy was the target of micorwave signals for a number of years in the 1970s, and the US frequently protested to Moscow, most recently in 1983 when the practice stopped.

● British consultations: The Foreign Office said last night that it was not aware of similar tracing agents being used on British diplomats or businessmen in the Soviet Union (Our Diplomat Correspondent writes).

But a spokesman said Britain was consulting the Americans on the matter and would conduct its own inquiry.

Third spy alert as Bonn web unravels

By Our Foreign Staff

Intelligence authorities in Bonn believe an important ring in West Germany has begun to unravel after the reported disappearance of a third suspected agent, this time a man said to have worked in a top-secret atomic bunker.

Security sources said that the man, named only as "Lorenz B", a messenger at an army administrative centre in Bonn, was a friend of Frau Ursula Richter, one of two missing secretaries also suspected of spying.

Frau Richter, aged 52, is suspected of running a spy ring in Bonn which may also hve included the missing Frau Sonja Lüneberg, aged 60, chief secretary to the Economics Minister, Herr Martin Bangemann, for 12 years. Both women are thought to have fled to East Berlin.

"Lorenz B", aged 53, failed to report to work a few days ago.

The company which previously employed him said he was involved in the 1960s in the installation of air-conditioning equipment in the top-secret government bunker near Bonn, a vast complex under the Eifel mountains, which is nuclear bomb-proof and equipped as a wartime command centre.

His work is likely to have given him a broad knowledge of the layout of the centre and its life-support systems. He had apparently since worked as a maintenance engineer in several government buildings, including one housing the offices of all MPs.

As a messenger in Bonn he wouldhavehad little orno access to sensitive secrets, according to sources.

Investigators apparently have new evidence that Frau Lüeneberg was a spy. Reports said that East German State Security telephone numbers were found in her flat.

The Federal Prosecutor's Office is certain that Frau Richter was infiltrated into Bonn from Canada with the identity of another in the 1960s. Frau Lüneberg is also believed to have lived in Bonn under an alias for 20 years.

Intelligence officials say they expect more disappearances in the next few weeks.

Thousands flee as Beirut war rages

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

Thousands of panic-stricken Muslim families fled Beirut for the comparative safety of southern Lebanon yesterday as the civil war in the city – ignited by four car bombs and well over 200 civilian deaths – threatened to degenerate into a full-scale battle for territory between Christian and Muslim militias.

Christian units of the Lebanese Army were last night preparing to withstand an offensive by Druze forces in the hills above the city which could take them down the mountains towards President Gemayl's palace at Baabda.

All day, thousands of mortar rounds, artillery shells and rockets fell across the Lebanese capital, killing 37 people and wounding almost 200.

At dusk, Christian gunners in east Beirut opened fire on the international airport, where Middle East Airlines were desperately trying to maintain a service amid the chaos and anarchy of the city, and immediately hit an MEA Boeing 707 as it stood empty.

The red-and-white jet exploded as waiting passengers cowered on the floor of the departure lounge 300 yds away. So many shells exploded on the runways that the policemen on duty at the arrivals gate turned and ran for their lives.

Officials declared the airport closed, although two other passenger jets were parked next to the burning airliner, and in danger of catching fire.

In the driveway outside, two cars were consumed in flames after artillery rounds fell in the airport car park.

From the seafront Corniche, from the slums of Bourj el-Barajneh and all along the Green Line – the three-mile stretch of ruins that has formed the city's front line for 10 years – Druze and Shia Muslim militias fired mortars and Soviet-made Katyusha rockets across the Christian heartland to the east and as far up the coast as the port of Jounieh.

American-made shells of the Lebanese Army and the Chris-

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United bid for Fleet given go-ahead

By William Kay, City Editor

The Government yesterday gave permission for United Newspapers, publisher of *Exchange & Mart*, the *Yorkshire Post* and *Punch*, to make a takeover bid for Fleet Holdings, which owns the Express group of newspapers and has a 31 per cent stake in TV-am.

It is the largest newspaper merger to be approved by the Government.

In February, United amassed a 20 per cent holding in Fleet, and on March 25 it asked the Department of Trade and Industry for "consent in principle" to make an offer for Fleet.

This request automatically triggered an investigation by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which concluded that the takeover "may be expected not to operate against the public interest".

Lord Matthews, Fleet's chairman, said: "I question now whether there is any point in having a special commission dealing with newspapers. The philosophy of the Government is small is beautiful, and you can go on and build and empire. But they are not practising what they preach."

United company said it was "pleased to note" Mr Fletcher's announcement, but added: "In considering the terms on which to proceed with an offer for Fleet, the board of United will be influenced by, amongst other things, the substantial fall of £13.6 million in the value of Fleet's shareholding in Reuters "B" shares since March 25, 1985."

This was seen in the City as an early shot in the takeover battle which is predicted to break out when Mr David Stevens, chairman of United, returns from the United States at the weekend. Fleet retorted that it was worth far more than the current stock market value of its shares. Mr Ian Irvine, Fleet's managing director, said: "From what we know at the moment all the indications are that they [United] won't be able to afford us."

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Botha talks divide church

Johannesburg – A serious rift is developing in the hierarchy of the Anglican Church in South Africa over the meeting on Monday between President Botha and a delegation of church leaders led by Archbishop Philip Russell of Cape Town (Ray Kennedy writes).

Bishop Desmond Tutu refused to join the delegation after Mr Botha declined to meet him personally and indicated that the bishop was welcome as a member of Archbishop Russell's party.

Bishop Simeon Nkoane, of Johannesburg East, said yesterday that this was a deliberate snub and that Archbishop Russell should have asked for a postponement of the meeting.

"As it turned out Archbishop Russell was the head of a delegation consisting of leaders of other denominations so there was no remote possibility that Bishop Tutu could go with him. It put a different complexion on the whole thing", Bishop Nkoane said.

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Epidemic threat to children

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

A million children could be at risk from a new whooping cough epidemic which is expected to strike Britain later this year, the Department of Health and Social Security said last night.

Mr John Patten, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Health, said: "Previous epidemics of whooping cough occurred in 1977-79 and in 1981-3. In view of this four-yearly cycle, another whooping cough epidemic is expected to start towards the end of this year."

The Government is launching a £500,000 publicity campaign to boost the numbers of children being immunised. By the end of 1984 only 65 per cent of children born in 1982 had been immunised, and it is estimated that about one million children under the age of six are unprotected.

The 1977 epidemic struck about 100,000 children, and there were 25 deaths in England and Wales. A 1981 outbreak affected 66,000 children and there were 14 deaths.

Mr Patten said the new publicity campaign, to be launched in the autumn, would "provide important information on contra-indications and explain the risks associated with the disease and with immunisation'.

The department said last night that the disease was highly infectious and could in some cases last for up to two or three months – sometimes resulting in brain damage and death.

It said there was only a slight risk of brain damage or death from immunisation – one in 100,000

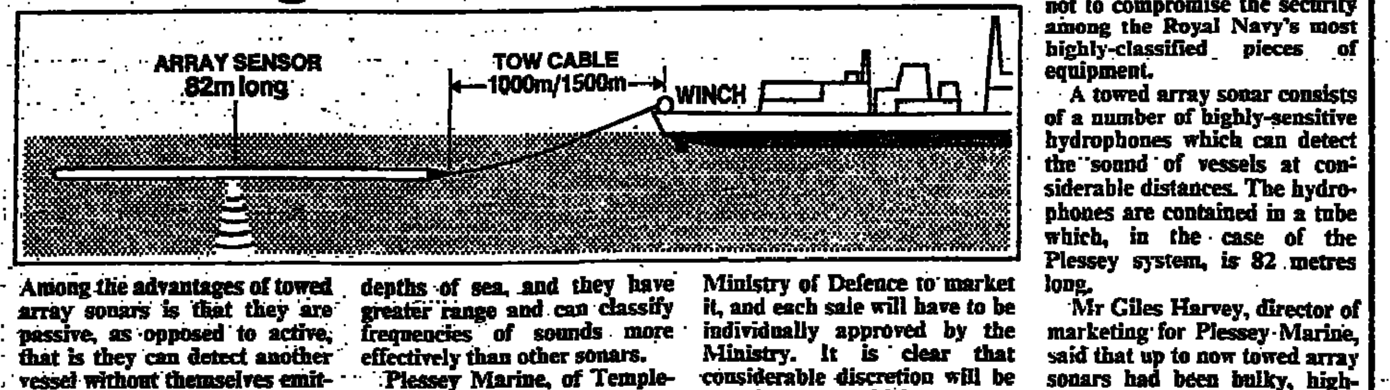
The provisionally estimated rates of immunisation for children born in 1982 are: measles, 1984 – 63 per cent, 1983 – 60 per cent; whooping cough 65, (59); diptheria 84, (84); tetanus 84, (84); poliomyelitis 84, (84).

Foreign navies to get advanced British sonar device

By Rodney Cowton
Defence Correspondent

For the first time a British company is to start selling to foreign navies one of the most advanced and secret types of system for detecting enemy submarines and surface ships. It will be similar in principle to that used by the British submarine, HMS Conqueror, for detecting the Argentine cruiser, General Belgrano off the Falkland Islands in 1982.

The system is called a "towed array sonar" which is regarded as the greatest advance in the detection of submarines since the Second World War. At present that type of sonar is used by only the most advanced of the world's navies, such a the United States, Russia and Britain.



Among the advantages of towed array sonars is that they are passive, as opposed to active; that is they can detect another vessel without themselves emitting a pulse which might lead to their own detection. Although there are passive sonars mounted on ships hulls, they are less efficient than the towed arrays.

It is possible also to adjust the depth at which a towed array floats in order to achieve the best search of particular depths of sea, and they have greater range and can classify frequencies of sounds more effectively than other sonars.

Plessey Marine, of Templecombe in Somerset, believes that its system will be the first in the world to be made available for export. It will be officially launched at the Royal Naval Equipment Exhibition at Portsmouth next month.

Plessey has had to obtain special permission from the Ministry of Defence to market it, and each sale will have to be individually approved by the Ministry. It is clear that considerable discretion will be exercised over which countries can buy the system.

Although the principle of Plessey's system, called Comtass, will be similar to that employed in the British and other navies, its capabilities will be markedly different, and great care will have been taken not to compromise the security among the Royal Navy's most highly-classified pieces of equipment.

A towed array sonar consists of a number of highly-sensitive hydrophones which can detect the sound of vessels at considerable distances. The hydrophones are contained in a tube which, in the case of the Plessey system, is 82 metres long.

Mr Giles Harvey, director of marketing for Plessey Marine, said that up to now towed array sonars had been bulky, high-performance systems out of the range of smaller navies. Plessey Marine and a sister company, Ameeco Hydrospace, had combined to engineer a new product of more universal application, taking into account the cost, weight and size constraints of other navies.

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Union to face TUC over cash for ballots

By Our Labour Editor

Leaders of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers have been summoned to Blackpool next Thursday to present their case to the General Council of the Trades Union Congress after being formally charged over their acceptance of government money for postal ballots.

Te general council yesterday accepted, with only four votes against, a recommendation of its "inner Cabinet" that AUEW may have been acting in a way "detrimental to the interests of the trade union movement" as well as being "contrary to the declared policy of Congress."

The decision to take the disciplinary process under the TUC's rule 13 stage further still leaves open the question of whether the issue can be resolved before the Congress which begins on September 2.

In spirt of the imposing show of near-unanimity in pressing the charges against Britain's second biggest union yesterday, there were continuing signs of reluctance among some senior TUC leaders to take the conflict to the point of expulsion if a formula could be found to avoid it.

One possible constitutional loophole emerging last night was the question of how much power the TUC's rule 13 gives to the general council to suspend or expel a union

The disciplinary action against the AUEW arises from its decision to take £1.2 million of government funds earlier this year before the Government's deadline for retrospective applications for cash under the Employment Act, 1980.

But rule 13 says that if, after considering the views of the offending union, the general council decides that it has been acting against union interests, or TUC policy – the stage that could be reached next Thursday – then the general council shall direct the union "to discontinue such activities forthwith and undertake not to engage therein in the future". Only then does the rule provide that "should the organization disobey such a direction" the general council has the power to suspend the union.

One interpretation of that rule could be that if the AUEW agreed not to make further applications – at least until any change of Congress policy – it might be difficult for the general council to suspend simply for the fait accompli of the union's having received £1.2 million in the past.

AUEW leaders, however, repeated yesterday that they would not accept the alternative proposal being promoted by the General, Municipal, Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union that the union should bank the £1.2 million in a "mutually acceptable" fund.

Whitehall union faces crisis over top post for Communist

By Donald Macintyre, Labour Editor

A key Whitehall trade union is facing an internal crisis over efforts to secure the appointment as deputy general secretary of a Communist Party member who, the Government has made clear, would be barred from sensitive departments such as the Foreign Office and Ministry of Defence.

Mr Mike Perkins, president of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, and a leading candidate for the deputy's job in the union, would if elected, be the first party member to take a top-level civil service trade union job since the Radcliffe Inquiry recommended a bar on Communist civil servants 20 years ago.

Since the inquiry, whose findings were extended to cover Civil Service trade union officials, an unwritten convention between the unions and successive governments has precluded any attempt to challenge the bar by promoting a Communist Party member to the top tier of union office.

Leaders of the union, whose executive is deeply divided over Mr Perkins' candidacy, are understood to have been given a clear but authoritative warning, from Treasury and Cabinet Office sources, that the 20-year-old ban would apply to Mr Perkins and that he might be declared *persona non grata* in Whitehall if elected.

Apex are currently blacking moves to advertise the job externally, an essential prerequisite of Mr Perkins being appointed.

The issue has been complicated by the fact that the staff at the society, who are members of the Association of Professional Executive Clerical and Computer Staffs, are opposed to Mr Perkins' candidacy on the unrelated grounds that as a lay member of the CPS he is not a member of the staff, from whose ranks the deputy general secretaries have normally been drawn.

The issue came to a head after the dominant Broad Left coalition split down the middle between Mr Perkins and Mr Eddie Reilly, a senior member of the staff. The executive subsequently voted to advertise the post. Other internal aspirants for the post are understood to include Ms Judy McKnight and Mr Alan Shute, both senior national officers of the union.

Mr Gerry Gillman, general secretary of the society confirmed yesterday that there was a dispute with Apex over plans to advertise the deputy general secretary's job

Telegraph journalists in technology deal

By Colin Hughes

Journalists at the *Daily Telegraph* yesterday decided in a close vote to accept a deal which clears the way for the management to go ahead with new printing technology.

The National Union of Journalists (office branch) voted by a ratio of five to four to accept an offer of £1,000 now, and another £750 on salary from March 31 next in return for agreeing to smooth the way for transition to photocomposition from hot metal printing.

The management has also guaranteed that the journalists will receive a minimum 5 per cent pay rise, in addition to the £750, both next year and the year after. About forty journalists who were being paid less than £16,000 a year have received merit raises to bring them up to an immediate minimum of £16,000.

The deal was accepted reluctantly by many.

Members of the National Graphical Association are reputed to have received pay-off offers in the tens of thousands for the paper's planned move from Fleet Street to a new plant in the London Docklands.

● The journalists' union is seeking an urgent meeting with the NGA because the journalists claim the printers have broken a "truce" over new technology deals.

The NGA is discussing with management at the Birmingham Post and Mail an agreement to transfer 21 of their members, who work as compositors in the print room, on to the jounalists' sub-editing desk. The move would be part of a deal to introduce direct-input technology, which eliminates the compositors' job.

The Birmingham battle is the latest in a growing chain of disputes between the two unions about job demarcation, in which journalists have accused the printers' union of trying to poach jobs and union members, and weaken the NUJ's position on the editorial floor.

IRA admit builder's murder in Dublin

From Our Belfast Correspondent

The Provisional IRA yesterday claimed responsibility for the murder of Mr Seamus McEvoy, a builder who had been supplying materials to the security forces and police in Northern Ireland.

Mr McEvoy, from Coalisland, Co Tyrone, the father of six children, was found shot in the back and chest in his Dublin bungalow less than a week after the IRA had issued a "final warning" to builders who dealt with the Royal Ulster Constabulary or the British Army.

Mr Evoy, aged 46, who also had a castle home in 300 acres near Coalisland, was a director of the building firm which supplied portable cabins to the Northern Ireland Prison Service and the RUC.

In the "War News" section of *Republican News*, published last Thursday, the IRA issued a "final warning" to builders of "armed action" against anyone involved in building or refurbishing work for the RUC or Army.

It said IRA intelligence personnel had compiled dossiers on all those involved in the work.

The IRA statement said: "We are of the opinion that the contractors involved are assisting the British in reinforcing the illegal and immoral presence.

"They are building fortresses and interrogation centres which are being used to oppress our people and subject them to continuing undemocratic rule."

The IRA said some businessmen had offered it up to £100,000 for non-aggression pacts, which they had rejected.

Mr Seamus Mallon, deputy chairman of the Social and Democratic Labour Party, described the killing as "utterly reprehensible".

Timex and Sinclair keep link

By Bill Johnstone

Timex, one of the main suppliers to the ailing home computer company, Sinclair Research, and one of its creditors, denied yesterday that it has stopped making flat screen televisions – microvision – for the computer group.

Responding to a report in Wednesday's *Times*, Timex issued the following statement:

"Timex is continuing production of televisions. Timex along with the other creditors are working with the board of Sinclair Research over the next few days with a view to reaching an agreement covering future trading. Future production of microvision is included in this review. We understand that further production of televisions is required to meet the Dixon order."

Dixons has signed an agreement with Sinclair Research to supply £10 million of computers and televisions. The order includes about 30,000 flat screen televisions.

Sinclair Research which owes Timex about £3 million, confirmed that the company had been paying cash for the televisions for several months.

A joint statement from Sinclair Research and Timex said: "Timex continues to manufacture pocket televisions for Sinclair at a rate which is planned to meet current demand, including the recent substantial order for Dixons. The terms of payment between Sinclair and Timex have remained completely unchanged for several months."

Art teacher wins £9,300

Ruth Cousens, an artist who has exhibited at the Royal Academy, was awarded £9,300 compensation yesterday for unfair dismissal from her position as arts teacher at a girls private boarding school.

Mrs Cousens, aged 55, of Spencer Square, Ramsgate, Kent was dismissed from St Stephens college, Broadstairs, at the end of the 1984 Christmas term. Her dismissal followed allegations by Mr Barbara Seymour the head, that the art room was always untidy and that Mrs Cousens had failed to display pupils' work around the school.

Mr John Prophet, chairman of an industrial tribunal sitting at Ashford, Kent, said on the sixth day of the hearing that the dismissal sent shock waves through the school system.

There was no criticism of Mrs Cousens' teaching ability and the governors' approach to the staff seemed both amateurish and inept. One had said that some teachers had been there too long for their own good or the good of the school.

Mr Prophet said that Mrs Cousens had made a 25 per cent contribution to her dismissal by not showing a basic willingness to effect changes.

Rail dispute

Safety sentinel whose job is on the line

By Rupert Morris

Mr Henry Bowler, railway guard: "What happens in an emergency?" (Photograph: Graeme Cookson)

Henry Bowler, a railway guard, was on at twenty minutes to five this morning at Bletchley Station, Bedfordshire. His duties provide 30 minutes before his first train journey, with eight empty coaches to Milton Keynes.

That waiting period allows him to pick up his instructions for the day, make sure he has all his timetables, and all the equipment he needs in the two hefty bags he must carry. Those include 12 warning detonators (to be placed on the line in the event of an accident), flags, rule books, work gloves, a hand lamp, and his journey log.

He will have a word with the driver, check the brakes in a siding, and check that couplings are secure and all doors properly shut.

The journey to Milton Keynes takes only a few minutes, and there the train will be split. Mr Bowler will then introduce himself to the driver of the 6.03 from Milton Keynes to Euston, and go through all the places where the train is due to stop, and any possible causes of delay, such as engineering works. Before the train leaves, he will go through the same checks on brakes, couplings and doors. He should have time for a cup of tea.

Two rings of his bell will tell the driver to go, but Mr Bowler will keep watching at the train gathers speed for latecomers trying to board. In emergency, one ring tells the driver to stop; the guard rarely uses his emergency brake handle.

Between stations, he may have time to read the paper, or even a book. But on the commuter lines, where British Rail plans to introduce driver-only trains, he does not have long between stations.

At every stop he jumps out, deals with any incoming or outgoing mail, or bicycles, and makes sure all passengers are either on or off, before he rings his bell twice, and the train moves off again.

On a quiet day, he may have little else to do. During the rush hour, he must keep his wits about him as well as latecomers, there are those who wake suddenly from a doze, and may try to get off as the train begins to move.

On arrival at Euston, he may wait 10 to 20 minutes before his next journey. Occasionally, more likely later in the day, when fewer trains are running, he may wait longer, perhaps an hour. In an average working shift of between seven and nine hours, he will complete four journeys. There are no regular meal breaks, and most guards eat their sandwiches in the cab.

A guard's basic wage is £99.25. Those willing to work overtime, on rest days and on Sundays can earn twice that.

Yesterday afternoon, as Mr Bowler, who proudly wears a 35-year service badge on his cap, took his last journey home to Bletchley, it was evident that in his phlegmatic way, he enjoyed his job.

Nothing much happened. A passenger checked that the train stopped at Hemel Hempstead; the train left on time, Mr Bowler noted it in his log, and turned to the latest issue of the union newspaper.

"See that", he said, pointing to statistics showing an increasing number of accidents on freight trains – another area where British Rail management wants to introduce driver-only trains.

"The job is a lot easier now than it was when I started on steam trains", he said, "but you've still got to have a guard on a freight train.

"It doesn't affect me because I'll soon be able to take the redundancy money, but it does annoy me when they start sacking guards and then advertising their jobs.

Henry Bowler and many other guards will tell you that it is not a question of how much work a guard does on a given shift: rather it is a question of what happens in an emergency.

Scots deal 'blueprint for peace'

By Ronald Faux

A Scottish rail union leader yesterday put forward the agreement between Strathclyde and British Rail over services in the region as a blueprint for national rail peace.

Mr John Walker, Scottish Secretary of Aslef, said the agreement more than met his union's demands. The job protection provided within Strathclyde, he said, was a first-class blueprint for the rest of Britain, with protection for both railway workers and passengers comparable with standards in the rest of Europe.

Until the present dispute broke out in Glasgow, the plan, due to be completed by 1988, was ahead of schedule. It involved one-man operations on the Gourock to Glasgow service, and broader duties for guards elsewhere on the region's suburban network.

Strathclyde contains half the Scottish population and is one of the largest regions in Britain. The services cost Strathclyde ratepayers £28 million a year, but this subsidy is to be reduced to £18 million by 1988. With new work practices and investment by British Rail in the network, it is expected that the system will earn enough revenue to keep all the services open.

One of the main recommendations was to make guards responsible for ticket collection and checking. British Rail estimates that inadequate "revenue protection" is costing it millions of pounds a year on Strathclyde services.

Deadlock on one-man trains

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

A war of attrition on the railways in the autumn or a complete closure of the rail network within a few weeks are the bleak prospects facing the travelling public as the dispute over driver-only trains gathers momentum.

The tactics of both the National Union of Railwaymen and the board of British Rail were drawn up several months ago, in expectation of the dispute, which had been long predicted.

The union, which represents British Rail's 11,000 guards, changed its policy at its annual conference in June to enable it to carry out a ballot under the terms of last year's Trade Union Act. However British Rail has been intent on keeping pressure on the union, apparently in the hope of provoking outbreaks of industrial action over which the union would have little control, but for which it could ultimately be held responsible before the court.

The NUR executive, which politically is finely balanced, but has a long-standing reputation for industrial militancy, decided to follow the advice of Mr Jimmy Knapp, the union's general secretary, and conduct a "slow, calm and cool" campaign leading to industrial action against the introduction of driver-only operations (DOO).

The ballot of the guards will be held tomorrow. With the result being known next Tuesday, the scene is set for the most damaging confrontation on the railways since 1982, when the dispute with the train drivers' union Aslef over the issue of flexible rostering cost the board £170 million.

The NUR is certain to call for fresh negotiations with the board if, as union officials expect, they receive a big "yes" vote, in tomorrow's ballot. But last night the indications were that the management would continue its hardline strategy and refuse to hold new talks.

Sir Robert Reid, chairman of British Rail has already said that to hold yet more negotiations with the NUR would be a waste of time and would also encourage the union to stonewall on the removal of guards from some freight and passenger trains.

If British Rail does refuse union overtures for new talks, then the NUR leadership could be expected to start the campaign of "guerrilla" industrial action which it has planned and which will almost certainly include lightning regional walkouts as well as a ban by guards on overtime and rest-day working. Such action, British Rail managers believe, would have an immediate impact on rail services and push the network into a state of "disarray".

Sir Robert Reid, BR chairman

There were strong indications last night that in such circumstances British Rail would prefer to see the closure of the network, with the consequent saving on wages of all 147,000 staff, than a struggle to maintain a service which would deteriorate rapidly as the guards' action started to bite.

That strategy would have an added benefit, from British Rail's management's point of view, in that it would probably require government approval. That, in turn, would show clearly that the management's line on driver-only trains was being underwritten by the Government, making it far more difficult for the union to win the dispute.

A decision to close the network would almost certainly invite legal action by other railway staff not involved in the dispute.

The NUR believes that the board may not shut down the network because in addition to possible legal difficulties, the Government could face a backlash from the public which the union believes supports the retention of guards on trains.

Mr Gert Lyons, leader of the railway white collar staff union, said yesterday that the guards' dispute would eventually have to be settled through negotiation.

There does exist scope for a way out of the dispute if both British Rail and the NUR were looking for one. That escape route lies in agreeing on the number of guards who will be kept on trains on the Bedford-St Pancras commuter service

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Students fight benefits cut

By a Staff Reporter

Oxford University undergraduates are to appeal against a Department of Health and Social Security ruling that bars many of them from claiming supplementary benefit during the long summer vacation.

The Oxford branch of the DHSS has decided, without warning, that students whose parental contribution to grants is paid in the form of covenants, are receiving income over 12 months. Normally it is accepted that maintenance grant covers only nine months, leaving the student eligible for social security during the three summer months.

In Oxford the DHSS has calculated that, where parents are paying £1,500 or more towards grant through a covenant, the students are receiving more than £28 a week for 52 weeks of the year, enough to disqualify them from supplementary benefit.

Covenants are an increasingly common and popular way for parents to pay towards grant because it can save them £100 to £200 a year in tax. The Oxford DHSS ruling, however, would mean many students losing out heavily.

The DHSS said yesterday that the decision was a unilateral ruling by the Oxford branch. "It has now been brought to the attention of Mr Alan Parsons, the chief adjudicating officer, who is considering the matter. There is no question at this stage of the ruling being applied elsewhere in the country."

Mr Matthew Taylor, president of the Oxford University Students' Union, said yesterday that they knew at least 63 students had decided to appeal against the refusal of benefit. "The problem is that, although the DHSS will tell us how many appeals have been lodged, they won't tell us who they are

The union is being advised by the independent Barton Information Centre in Oxford. "They tell us that the chances of successful appeal by unrepresented students are minimal, but that, if we can track down those who have been refused, we might be able to challenge the DHSS effectively."

Chess tourney conquest by boy of 17

By Raymond Keene

Stuart Conquest, aged 17, from Hastings, the former World Cadet Champion, won first prize and became an International Master in the National Westminster Chess Challenge which finished on Tuesday night at Lewisham Chess Club.

Leading scores in the tournament were: Conquest 7 pts from 9 games; International Master Darryl Johansen, Australia 6½; International Master Ravi Kumar, India and John Hawkesworth, Oxford Univ 5½.

Yesterday at the Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly, the Lloyds Bank Masters tournament started, it will run for nine days with 160 competitors from all over the world.

It is a particularly strong event this year and the battle at the top will be between three leading British Grandmasters, John Nunn, Murray Chandler and Jonathan Mestel, and three Soviet representatives, Alexander Beliavsky, Gennady Kuzmin and Maia Chiburdanidze, the women's world champion.

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Pinstripe pretender to the latest Fleet Street throne

By William Kay

Mr David Stevens: who faces a bitter shares battle

The Government yesterday paved the way for another new Fleet Street newspaper proprietor to be anointed, when it allowed United Newspapers to make a takeover bid for Fleet Holdings, owner of the *Daily Express*, the *Sunday Express* and *The Star*.

If he achieves his ambition, however, Mr David Stevens, chairman of United, will be a very different proposition from Lord Matthews and Mr Robert Maxwell, the last two men to become heads of national newspaper groups. Whereas Lord Matthews and Mr Maxwell are emphatically self-made men, Mr Stevens was born the year after his father had designed the world's first wearable electronic hearing aid and made the family fortune.

That was in 1935, and it enabled David Stevens to go to Stowe, the public school, and Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, where he read economics. After a year with Elliott Automation, the electronics company, he went into the City, where he spent his career until he bacame chairman of United five years ago. Even now, he is more at home talking share prices in the City than discussing type faces in United's office between Fleet Street and the Thames.

Mr Stevens has specialized in running investment trusts. When he first went on the board of United in 1974, it was just another City directorship. The funds he managed has 10 per cent of the newspaper group's shares, and he became a director to protect the investment.

At that time United was a provincial newspaper group which owned a few magazines, notably *Punch*. The year Mr Stevens arrived turned out to be the peak before a long decline set in.

When he finally took over as chairman on the death of Lord Barnetson, it was because his impeccable financial credentials would reassure United's institutional shareholders. But there was little time to be lost. "If we didn't do something quickly we were going to be in trouble", Mr Stevens recalled earlier this year. His answer was to embark on a dramatic expansion programme.

Now the group takes in books, magazines, satellite communications, newsagents' shops and freesheets.

Mr Stevens is not afraid to take on the printing unions. "They have allowed themselves to become fat in the good times", he remarked. The Monopolies and Mergers Commission report on the Fleet plans make it plain that Mr Stevens intends to mount an assault on overmanning and what he regards as outdated technology.

Before that can happen, Mr Stevens faces the hurdle of winning Fleet Holdings in the teeth of already embittered opposition from Lord Matthews.

Colonel is recalled after drink accusation

Lieutenant-Colonel R. I. S. Purbrick, who allegedly led his regiment into action across asparagus fields and faces a drink accusation was relieved of his command yesterday. He has the right of appeal.

The colonel, aged 41, has been summoned back to Britain from West Germany and will fly back to his regiment's base at Bovington, Dorset, next week.

He faces a desk job instead of leading the 17th Lancers Regiment, whose motto is Death or Glory.

He is to go before an internal disciplinary inquiry after claims that he drank on board a "dry" RAF flight and led his Chieftain tanks across the asparagus fields during an exercise near Soltav.

Colonel Purbrick has been replaced as regiment commander by Lieutenant-Colonel William Hurrell.

Atlantic dinghy sailor sighted

Enda O'Coineen, on Irish journalist and author, ended fears for his safety yesterday when he was sighted 46 miles west of Milford Haven near the end of his quest to become the first to cross the Atlantic in as inflatable rubber dinghy.

Mr O'Coineen, who left Newfoundland on July 25 on the 2,200-mile journey carrying navigational equipment and a short-wave radio, had not been heard from since July 30.

Bail for man jailed by police

A man jailed by police on Tuesday for failing to notify a probation officer of a change of address eight years ago was freed on bail yesterday by a High Court judge in London.

Mr Justice Tudor Price also gave William Stirling, aged 31, leave to have his case reviewed by the Queen's Bench Divisional Court.

Trapped cavers escape floods

Six potholers escaped yesterday after being trapped underground for 24 hours in caves in the Brecon Beacons.

The five men and one woman, members of the Carabina Caving Club in Birmingham, were cut off by rising water in the Agen-All-Wedd caverns near Llangattock. They spent the night on a ledge but then were able to make their way to the surface.

Security guard shot dead

Mr Sidney Dundon, aged 57, a guard with Security Express was shot dead yesterday as he delivered money to a bank in west London.

The gunman, who escaped with about £16,500, opened fire with a shotgun as Mr Dundon entered the National Westminster bank in The Vale, Acton.

Dunlop jobs go

Almost a third of the 382 workers at Dunlop's industrial hose factory at Cramlington, Northumberland, are to lose their jobs, and changes in the industrial hose division's sales and distribution network will lead to a further 26 redundancies in Glasgow and the Midlands.

Children hurt

Forty schoolchildren from all over Yorkshire were taken to Scarborough District Hospital and two kept there after their four minibuses were involved in a multiple accident at Staxton near-by yesterday. One boy was seriously hurt and the rest suffered more minor injuries or shock. Twenty more youngsters were unhurt.

Tax man jailed

James Berry, aged 36, a tax inspector of Forest Glade, Newport, was jailed for six weeks yesterday by Newport magistrates for trying to defraud the Inland Revenue of £900 by making false claims for tax repayments.

Tablets death

Richard Gray, aged three, of Seagrove Street, Glasgow, died yesterday after swallowing 25 medical tablets which the thought were sweets. His brother James, aged six, was last night still in hospital after taking only one of the pills.

Fall survivor

Valerie Galliemore, aged 21, was admitted to hospital with multiple injuries after surviving a 100ft fall from a seventh floor flat at the Lund Point tower block, Carpenters Road, Stratford, east London.

Record catch

The Icelandic trawler, Gudbjorg, set a UK record at Grimsby yesterday when her catch of 35,620 stones of cod sold for £186,228.

Crash kills three

Three window cleaners were killed yesterday when their car crashed head-on with an articulated lorry at Thame, Oxfordshire.

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Three-card tricksters face prison after test-case convictions

A team fo street gamers were in custody last night after a magistrate warned them that three-card tricksters could no longer expect to get away with a fine.

The three men face up to two years in prison and an unlimited fine after being convicted of "organizing gaming" in a test case using Section 2 of the Gaming Act 1968.

Street gamers are usually charged with "taking part in gaming" under Section 5 of the Act, which carries a maximum fine of £1,000.

The test case was brought by police who are particularly concerned about the number of tourists being cheated in London, especially outside Harrods store in Knightsbridge.

The three men were convicted last month and appeared at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court for sentence yesterday, but the magistrate, Mr James Jobling sent them in custody for sentence at Southwark Crown Court.

"I have the strong feeling that you regard fines as overheads of this nasty business."

He continued: "It is deliberate theft. One hears terrible stories of people losing all their savings. It is quite clear to me that in your case fines have no deterrent effect whatsoever. The time has come when you and those like you must learn that the law has teeth, and sometimes those teeth must bite."

Ronald Tubey, aged 30, of Heathway, Dagenham, Essex; Alfred Webb, aged 61, of Abersham Road, Hackney, east London, and John Wilson, aged 29, of Keeling House, Temple Street, Bethnal Green, east London, had admitted gaming near Harrods in Brompton Road, on May 28.

They had denied, but were found guilty of the more serious "organization" charge. All had numerous convictions for gaming, but their lawyers told the court that the tougher police action had forced them to give it up.

For Wilson, who was arrested after acting as the "card shuffler" using an upturned crate, Mr Jonatan Turner said: "He has got himself a job at long last, and it may be that the shock of being charged under this particular section, and the fear of imprisonment, has broken the pattern of his way of life."

Webb, whos acted as a "winning punter", during the game, encouraging genuine "mugs" to lay bets, has now retired, Mr Turner said. He asked the court to defer sentence for six months to see if the gamers kept off the streets.

The Gaming Board, which had taken keen interest in the case, sent an inspector to the court as a spectator.

After the hearing, the Metropolitan Police solicitor, Mr Stuart Frost, who first advised police on use of the tougher law, was delighted by the outcome. "I would hope that gamers will take note of what the court has done today, and will stop fleecing tourists and others", he said.

Inspector Robert Sexton, of Chelsea police, who led the campaign against the gamers, who he described as "parasites" was equally pleased. "It's the result that I have campaigned for", he said.

The inspector added: "All this would not have been necessary had the Government acted on recommendations of the Royal Commission on Gambling of 1978 for custodial sentences for street gamers."

The convicted gamers have instigated an appeal against the conviction and will apply to a judge for bail tomorrow.

Advances in medical research

Psychiatrists study cancer link

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

Women who have suffered breast cancer are to be studied to see whether there is a link between personal crises in their lives and the recurrence of their illness.

The study is trying to discover if serious events, such as family bereavements, have any effect on cancer prognosis. It is being carried out over five years by the psychiatry department at Southampton University medical school.

Two hundred and fifty women who have been treated for early breast cancer will be interviewed regularly for three years after diagnosis to chart their experience of "life events".

"This method will show whether there is any increased likelihood of recurrent cancer developing after some personal crisis", Dr Jennifer Hughes, who is conducting the study, said yesterday.

It might be that patients, reactions to "life events" predict recurrence, she said, in which case there would be a place for social and psychological interventions in managing such patients.

The study, which is being funded with a £100,000 grant from the Medical Research Council, could well have a negative result and serve to dispel much popular myth and misconception, Dr Hughes said.

Psychological aspects of cancer are being investigated on a number of fronts. According to Dr Peter Maguire, of the University of South Manchester, diagnosis and treatment of the disease is associated with substantial psychiatric problems including anxiety, depression, body image problems and conditioned responses.

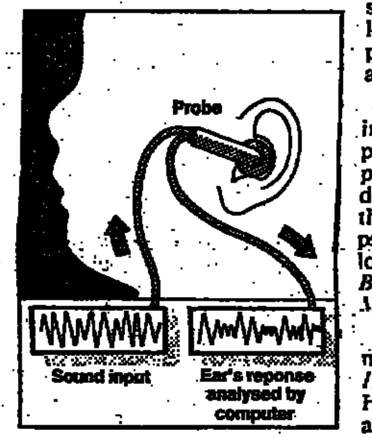
"It is important that doctors involved in the care of canceer patients actively check whether psychological problems have developed, treat them promptly themselves, or refer them to a psychiatrist or clinical psychologist for help," he writes in the *British Journal of Hospital Medicine*.

In a book published last month, *Cancer: What It Is and How It Is Treated*, authors Howard Smedley, Karol Sikora and Rob Stepney, say: "Cancer is more than a purely physical process.

"There is evidence that attitudes and the way emotions are expressed influence the whole course of the disease, from the predisposition to develop cancer through to the effectiveness of treatment, the likelihood of cure, and the extent to which someone with cancer can readjust to daily life."

Electronic ear check on infants' hearing

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent



An electronic probe minute enough to be placed in the ear of a new-born baby to check hearing has been invented by a researcher in London.

Clinical trials with more than 150 patients have indicated that the device is invaluable in helping to diagnose hearing impediments in infants and mentally retarded children who cannot give the examining doctor any assistance. The unit also provides a quick method of demonstrating to adults that their hearing is impaired.

The device has derived from work performed by Dr David Kemp at the Institute of Laryngology and Otology, part of London University, based at the Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital.

The technique depends on the ear's reaction to sound. A part of the inner ear, the cochlea, translates sound waves into wave impulses for the brain. However, it not only absorbs sound but can also emit a faint echo of the original sound. The new detector collates these echoes and analyses the emitted waves.

The inner ear echoes are analysed by a computer and the characteristics of the ear determined. The results will show the frequencies the ear cannot hear. Inability to hear high frequencies is a characterisitic of deafness.

Faulty diagnoses blamed for deaths

By Our Science Correspondent

Many patients are dying from diseases that could have been treated if their doctors had made a correct diagnosis, two pathologists say.

They found that illnesses in more than half of 400 post-mortem examination cases had been incorrectly identified.

Even when doctors are confident about their diagnoses, mistakes still occur, the pathologists say, adding there may be too much reliance on sophisticated diagnostic equipment.

Confusion over heart attacks, pneumonia and blood clots were the most common mistakes, probably because the of similar symptoms such as chest pain, breathlessness and fever.

The mistakes are likely to be made across the country. "There is a high diagnostic error rate which varies remarkably little from one institution to another", Dr Jane Mercer and Dr Ian Talbot say in the latest issue of *The Postgraduate Medical Journal*.

The examinations were conducted at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, where the pathologists found "potentialyl treatable diseases" in about 13 per cent of patients.

Almost half of the 134 pneumonia cases were not diagnosed, while doctors failed to diagnose heart attacks in 16 out of 51 patients. The doctors had also diagnosed many conditions which examinations had shown to be non-existent.

Secretaries opt for politeness not flowers

The days of wine and roses are over between bosses and their secretaries when it comes to improving office harmony.

Instead, secretaries prefer a simple "please" and "thank you" from bosses during their working day to bolster office relations.

A Gallup Research Study, commissioned by the office equipment manufacturers, Olympia, interviewed 102 bosses and their secretaries throughout Britain last July, and found most secretaries and bosses shared similar views on what improved a secretary's life in the office.

Only 12 per cent of bosses and 7 per cent of secretaries rated a visit to the local restaurant as important for office morale. Their highest points went to comfort in the office and 86 per cent of bosses and 88 per cent of secretaries preferred a comfortable chair to flowers, champagne on birthdays or office luncheons.

Pier condemned

The 104-year-old pier at Skegness is to be demolished later this year, seven years after it was separated from the shore by storm damage. Its owners, the Skegness Pier Company, say that it would cost at least £1 million to repair.

Steam train to China recalls a golden age

On September 15, 110 people will set off from platform six at Charing Cross station, London, bound for Chang 'An, the ancient capital of Imperial China.

The occasion marks the 2,100th anniversary of the Silk Road which opened up the Far East in 115BC. Intrepid passengers will pay £5,600 to travel 7,011 miles in just 44 days through 10 countries and 28 cities.

Voyages Jules Verne, the London-based long-haul operators, have spent five years planning "The World's Greatest Railway Adventure". They have chartered 10 special trains, which will follow the Paris to Istanbul Orient Express route.

Travellers will cross Europe via Paris, Salzburg, Vienna and Bucharest, then over the Anatolian Plateau to Mount Ararat. They will then follow the Golden Road to Samarkand to link up with the Silk Road, cutting a picturesque swathe through West and East.

British Rail's new first class livery stock will carry passengers from Charring Cross, and from Paris to Vienna they will travel in 1930s wagon lits.

"The journey does not attempt to imitate the fabulous style of the Orient Express, but travellers will be sitting in contemporary first class compartments, pulled by a variety of steam engines. The trip is for travellers who like style, not for rail buffs with a taste for extravagance", Voyages Jules Verne said.

The passengers range from a retired Birmingham railway worker to a San Francisco artist.

Local fire brigades stretching half way across the world have agreed to provide water for the thirsty locomotives, many of which are considerably older than the passengers, whose average age is 52.

Mr Philip Morrell, the managing director of Voyages Jules Vernes, said that two engines running head would be needed to negotiate the arduous Turkish terrain. And on other stages, a second locomotive will be used to haul the luggage compartments.

The journey will be broken with excursions to mosques, cathedrals and a visit to the oasis city of Samarkand.

"British Rail permitting, passengers and crew will be sent on their way to the accompaniment of the Royal Artillery band. It seems that we are fated, in that every time we plan a 'great journey' from London, there is a rail strike in the offing. If the worst comes to the worst we will depart direct from Folkestone," Mr Morrell said.

A trimmer Mr McIntyre (left), and as he was

Roley-poly slimmer loses 27 stone

A Civil Servant who lost more than 27 stone was named Slimmer of the Year 1985 yesterday in what competition organizers say is their "most remarkable success story ever".

Mr Roley McIntyre, aged 33, of Kesh, Northern Ireland, who works as a social security claims interviewer at Enniskillen, dropped from 41st 4lb to his present 13st 7lb after his fight for fitness began four years ago.

Mr McIntyre was awarded the title at the Savoy Hotel in London and won £1,000.

His decision to fight the flab came after he went to a football match in Dublin but could not enter the ground until stewards dismantled the turnstile. At home, his bed was reinforced by timber beams, and his car seat specially modified to contain him.

"A typical lunch comprised half a pound of bacon, three or four eggs, nine or 10 potatoes and a lot of vegetables, all fried, like fried cabbage or turnips. For afters I might have a rice pudding", he said. Now he sticks to a diet of 1,500 calories a day.

His wife, Josephine, who was married to him five days ago, put his name forward for the competition, which is sponsored by *Slimming Magazine*. "I can get my arms round him much more easily now", she said.

Seat belt success in cutting crash injuries

By Anthony Bevins

The compulsory wearing of seat belts by car drivers and front-seat passengers has cut the number of crash victims requiring hospital admission by a quarter.

A Department of Health and Social Security study of the 1983 seat belt change, described as the most comprehensive of its kind, showed that there had been a 15 per cent reduction in patients taken to hospital after car accidents.

It has already been calculated that the new law reduced the number of crash deaths by 18 per cent for Britain as a whole.

The DHSS study compared more than 14,000 car accident patients, arriving at 15 hospitals throughout the United Kingdom in the year before and the year after the January 1983 reform.

The report, published last night, said: "There were fewer patients with severe injuries after legislation, and the number of patients with multiple, severe or minor injuries were reduced".

The study also suggested that there had been a reduction in kidney injuries and fractures of the thigh-bone – although fractures of the breastbone and sprained necks had apparently risen.

One surprise finding was that while all kinds of head injuries had been reduced for front-seat passengers, drivers had been more liable to suffer severe brain injuries, and fractures of the face and skull.

Customers call for simpler food labels

By John Young

The Government's food labelling proposals are inadequate and will be unintelligible to most people, according to the National Consumer Council.

Suggested guidlines for food labelling published yesterday by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food did not include important information about sugar, salt and dietry fibre content, the consumer council said.

The council also urged the ministry not ot insist on terms such as "kilojoules", "kilocalories" and "energy" on food labels, as research had indicated that most people do not understand what they mean.

Instead, the council says, the word "caloric" should be used, as it is one of the few widely recognized terms.

The council also recommends that fat content should be listed with "saturates" or "polyunsaturates", leaving out mention of "fatty acids".

Mr Jeremy Michell, director of the council, said simple wording and full information would make it easier for people to follow the recommendations of diet and cardio-vascular disease by the Committee on Medical Aspects of Food Policy.

The committee report said people should eat less fat, particularly saturated fat, and more dietry fibre, and gave a warning against excessive consumption of sugar and salt.

The ministry guidelines make no strong recommendation for listing dietary fibre content, and do not distinguish sugar from carbohydrates.

The Government intends to make only fat labelling compulsory, but the consumer council says that voluntary code of practice can be achieved between government, consumer organizations, food manufacturers and retailers, it should be prepared to legislate.

Comments on the MAFF Guidelines (available from Food Labelling, NCC, 18 Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9AA, free).

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40	44	2,111	1,112	1,330	4,553	2,111
45	49	2,089	1,101	1,316	4,506	2,089
50	54	2,061	1,086	1,298	4,445	2,041
55	59	2,034	1,072	1,281	4,387	1,912
60	64	2,012	1,060	1,268	4,340	1,670
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40	44	5,445	2,870	3,430	11,745	5,445
45	49	5,388	2,839	3,394	11,621	5,388
50	54	5,319	2,803	3,351	11,473	5,266
55	59	5,250	2,767	3,308	11,325	4,935
60	64	5,198	2,739	3,275	11,212	4,315
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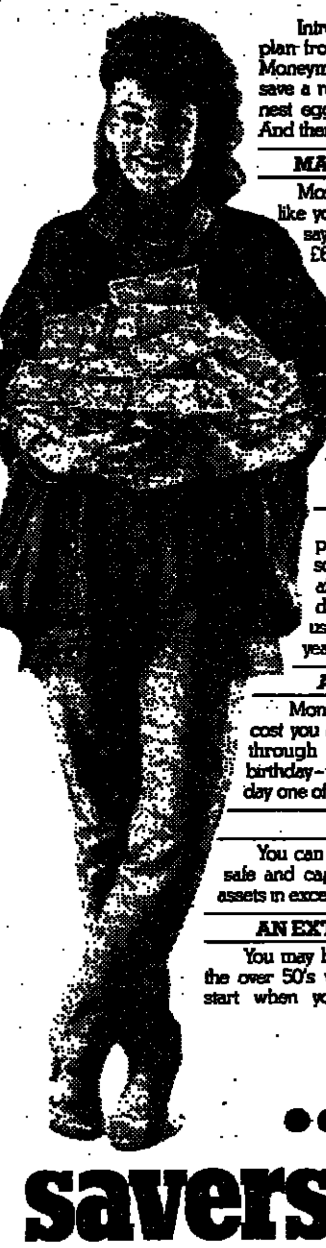

Britain's defence 'vulnerable to nuclear attack by terrorists'

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

A warning that Britain's defences are inadequate against unconventional forms of nuclear attack, possibly by terrorists, is given today by the Editor of *Jane's Fighting Ships*.

In his foreword to the 1985-86 edition, Captain John Moore says that, because of their size and range, nuclear ballistic missiles are rightly considered to present the greatest danger.

"But there are numerous other devices which present a grave threat to mankind. Nuclear-headed torpedoes, mines, nuclear-tipped shells, depth bombs and cruise missiles all come within this category", he says.

"A number of intelligent students have shown how a simple nuclear device can be cobbled together at little expense once the fissile material has been bought or stolen."

Captain Moore says that in this situation the problems of protection against all forms of nuclear assault must be addressed. Mines can be laid by merchant ships and submarines in peacetime, torpedoes can be launched into harbours, submarines carrying cruise missiles, which can be aimed at any area within some 2,000 miles of a coastlinee, can remain on patrol for months.

"These methods are in addition to the placement of devices by surrogates, terrorists or Soviet Spetsnaz forces which could lie dormant for long periods during a crisis. The security of any State depends on its ability to detect and neutralize such methods of attack."

He says: "From the naval point of view nuclear deterrence rests on the ballistic missile submarines, but security against nuclear attack requires continual surveillance of intruders and vigilance in all waterways and ports. This includes all forms of anti-submarine and mine detection as well as inspection of any unscheduled aircraft. The task is immense, the forces available inadequate."

Captain Moore also challenges Britain's decision to buy the Trident strategic nuclear missile system instead of placing nuclear cruise missiles on submarines. He comments on the estimated £9,285 millions cost of Trident, and says: "Whatever juggling takes place there can be no doubt about two things – the price will rise and this will have a considerable impact on naval equipment expenditure".

He criticizes two arguments used by the Ministry of Defence against employing cruise missiles for the deterrent. Those are that they would require more submarines than does Trident, and that, because of the shorter range of cruise missiles, the submarines would have less searoom in which to avoid detection.

Cruise missiles could be carried in non-nuclear submarines, Captain Moore argues, which could be built at far less cost than the Royal Navy's new diesel-powered class, the Type 2400.

The 1,500-mile range credited to cruise missiles would allow a submarine whose target was Moscow to operate around the Outer Hebrides, in the waters of the southern Norwegian Sea and the North Sea. "Anybody who has carried out operations either in or in pursuit of a submarine in the confused waters that can be in all these places might suggest that detection and destruction is by no means easy."

Captain Moore also gives a warning of the possibly serious consequences of the continuing run-down of the British merchant fleet. Between 1970 and 1982 Britain's share of the world merchant fleet fell by 50 per cent. From 1982 to 1984 her tanker fleet was reduced by 18 per cent and breakbulk/general cargo ships by 26 per cent.

"Unless this trend is arrested the British-registered Merchant Navy will be dissipated completely by 1993 and reliance will have to be placed on foreign or flag-of-convenience ships."

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Mr Lowery (left) and Mr Falwell cross swords after the latter described Bishop Tutu as a phoney.

Moral Majority mocks Tutu

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

Black leaders and senior churchmen reacted furiously yesterday to a stinging attack on Bishop Desmond Tutu by the Rev Jerry Falwell, head of the right-wing evangelical group, Moral Majority.

His simultaneous launching of a million dollar campaign against economic sanctions has heightened bitter conservative divisions over South Africa.

Mr Falwell, just back from a five-day trip to South Africa, said: "If Bishop Tutu says that he speaks for black South Africa, he's a phoney." He urged people to buy krugerrands and to back investment in South Africa by American firms.

Conservatives of all hues believe Mr Falwell, whose ultra-right group claims a membership of seven million, isolated himself by attacking so credible a person as Bishop Tutu, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984. But his stiff opposition to sanctions prompted a widely differing reaction from conservatives, highlighting deep divisions on the right wing of American politics.

On present showing 10 or 12 conservative Republican senators support President Reagan's opposition to sanctions, leaving the pro-sanction lobby with a hefty majority.

That represents a remarkable shift from the long standing conservative position in support of South Africa. The suddenness of that shift astonished the ultra-right, which only now is getting its antions campaign rolling.

Mr Robert Walker, a Republican congressman from Pennsylvania, said: "There is a split in the conservative community ... there is now a substantial growing number of conservatives who say: yes, South Africa is important to us strategically but the danger of losing her strategically is greater if we support a government that is intransigent to change."

The pro-sanctions lobby includes such notable Republicans as Senator Richard Lugar, the chairman of the powerful Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Senator Robert Dole, the Republican leader.

Mr Falwell said he opposed apartheid. "However, I believe we can cut out the cancer without killing the patient and handing over to the Soviet Union one more nation."

Church reaction to his remarks was swift. Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum of the American Jewish Committee said Mr Falwell's words "will lead to a polarization between right wing forces ... and liberal and centrist groups in this country."

The Reverend Jesse Jackson, the most prominent American black leader, accused Mr Falwell of acting as an agent of the Reagan Administration and the Reverend Joseph Lowery, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, described Mr Falwell as "the reincarnation of the old George Wallace".

● Murder scene: Benjamin Moloise, who has been granted a three-week stay of a death sentence due to be carried out yesterday, is prepared to admit he was at the scene of the murder of a black security policeman three years ago, according to his lawyers (Ray Kennedy writes).

Until now, he has maintained he was nowhere the scene. The outlawed African National Congress, which says it ordered the execution of Warrant Officer Philip Selepre, has stated consistently that Moloise was not involved.

● JOHANNESBURG: Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of the jailed African National Congress leader, refused a US State Department offer of $10,000 to help to rebuild her home after an arson attack last week (AP reports).

Troops stand by as 75,000 see Bhutto son buried

From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad

About 75,000 people turned out to pay their last respects yesterday to Shahnawaz Bhutto, the 27-year-old younger son of the executed Pakistani Prime Minister, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, before his body was lowered into a grave beside that of his father in their ancestral graveyard near Larkana.

There were emotional scenes at the funeral rites. Miss Banazir Bhutto, the late Prime Minister's eldest child, who brought back her brother's body from France, repeatedly broke down. The crowd, watched by heavily armed security forces, remained peaceful although anti-regime slogans were frequently raised.

Although there had been strong fears of violence during the funeral ceremonies, no serious incidents were reported either at Larkana or in Karachi. Funeral prayers were offered in a number of other cities and towns in Pakistan for Shahnawaz Bhutto.

Security forces yesterday virtually sealed off Karachi airport, refusing access to all unauthorized persons. Miss Bhutto, with the coffin and about 20 relatives and associates of the late Prime Minister, were transferred from a Singapore Airlines plane arriving from Zurich to a Pakistani aircraft for the flight to Mohenjodaro airport, 200 miles away, near Larkana.

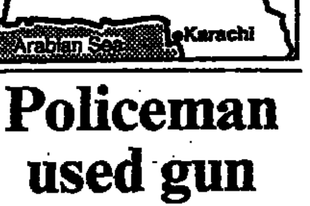
The tight security for Shahnawaz Bhutto's last journey to his family grave near Larkana was due to apprehension that the occasion might release the pent-up feelings of the supporters of the late Prime Minister, who was buried quietly in April 1979 after he had been hanged in Rawalpindi.

Shahnawaz Bhutto died in mysterious circumstances from a still undisclosed cause more than a month ago in his seaside flat in Cannes. Although a political nonentity while his father was alive, Shahnawaz and his elder brother, Murtaza, were accused by Pakistan's military regime of organizing the underground Alzulfikar movement to avenge the execution of their father and of acts of subversion, including the successful hijacking of a Pakistani airliner four years ago. They escaped arrest because they had been out of the country since Mr Bhutto was deposed by General Zia ul-Haq in July 1977.

Miss Benazir Bhutto went abroad about 20 months ago. The entire family have been out of Pakistan apart from the youngest daughter, Sanam, who has not involved herself in politics.

There was a considerable show of strength by the authorities in Karachi, where the Bhuttos have spent a good deal of their time. Troop vehicles patrolled some areas

The day before, police arrested a number of People's Party and other opposition group leaders who were suspected of organizing mass funeral prayers or pro-Bhutto demonstrations on the arrival of Shahnawaz's body.



Painting on wall not vandalism

A Breakdance team which painted a 21ft long mural on a drab car park wall was cleared of vandalism by magistrates at Teignmouth, Devon, yesterday.

The dancers paintd the 7ft high mural with their group's name, Dead Zone, and the message "Hip Hop Don't Stop" on a wall at Dawlish to try to brighten it up, but the three artists were arrested and accused of criminal damage. But the magistrates dismissed the case after hearing the three had not intended to cause harm.

Richard Stott, of Barton Crescent, Dawlish, Kenneth Hall, of North Lodge Crescent, Dawlish, both unemployed and both 17, and a boy, aged 15, denied causing £142 damage to a wall beside the council dustcart garage at Barton Hill, Dawlish.

Det Constable Gerald Channon said a witness had called him and a colleague after seeing the painters, and they had chased them and identified the three responsible. All admitted painting the mural with seven cans of different coloured car paint and all said they knew they had done wrong.

Mr Hall told the magistrates that the three had taken more than an hour over the mural, while four of their fellow dancers watched. They had designed it earlier.

After the case he said: "Now people are going to be doing paintings all over the country. I saw a thing on the telly about Prince Charles giving out grants to people in Covent Garden to do Breakdance pictures full time. It is not graffiti, it is art."

Sandwich bar woman wins margarine case

Miss Tina Coles, aged 25, a sandwich maker, who lost her job for putting too much margarine in her employer's lunchtime roll, was unfairly dismissed, an industrial tribunal at Bristol has ruled.

The Tribunal awarded her £844.66 because her employers, Mr Bernard Rogers, owner of a sandwich bar behaved unreasonably.

The tribunal says in a reserved judgement, that the owner of Woodes, in Park Street, Bristol, was perfunctory in the extreme and failed to establish that it was another employee and not Miss Coles, who put too much margarine in his lunchtime snack. But they say Miss Coles, who had worked at Woodes for seven years, acted indifferently when she was told she would be dismissed and contributed to Mr Rogers' state of ignorance. The tribunal reduced the amount awarded by a third, saying: "We are not sure at all that she herself made any efforts to put her case".

BBC shows real-life Soviet Union

A revealing television series about present-day life in the Soviet Union will go out on BBC 2 this autumn. BBC cameras spent 21 months travelling in the country to film the series.

Never before has a Western film crew been allowed such access. The 12-part documentary includes interviews with a cross section of Soviet citizens, including a doctor, a Red Army recruit, a mountain fur trapper and a grandmother on a collective farm.

It is one of the highlights of a £30 million line-up of drama, documentary, music and light entertainment programmes for BBC 2.

Announcing the line-up yesterday, Mr Graeme McDonald, controller of BBC 2, said: "There are 48 new series this autumn, 18 of them brand new to television. They amount to more than 500 hours of BBC originated material and I am delighted to offer programming of such strength, quality and diversity."

Highlighting the drama season is a definitive six-part adaptation of F. Scott Fitzgerald's moving love story, *Tender is the Night*, with a cast including Peter Strauss, Mary Steenburgen, Edward Agner and Piper Laurie. It has been filmed on location in Swtizerland and France.

Dorothy Tutin plays screen mother to her real daughter, Amanda Waring, in Strindberg's *The Father*, a searing portrayal of marital warfare which also star Colin Blakely and Edward Fox.

Stars in other productions include Tom Courtenay, Charles Dance, Nigel Hawthorne, Anthony Sher, Maureen Lipman and Kenneth Cranham. The plays range from Oscar Wilde's *Lady Windermere's Fan* to Alan Ayckbourn's comedy, *Absent Friends*.

The opera contributions include Covent Garden productions of Visconnti's *Don Carlos* and *Amore Chenter* with Placido Domingo, Sir Peter Hall's Glyndebourne production of *Albert Herring* and Jonathan Miller's new studio production of Mozart's *Cosi Fan Tutte*.

***Queens – a Cambridge College* is a 10-part series about life in the University College, and *Now the War is Over* is an eight-part series about life in Britain during the first six years after the Second World War**

Comedy and Light entertainment will see Windsor Davies starring in *The New Statesman*, a new series about a museum curator who inherits a title and a seat in the House of Cards.

Films will include seasons to mark the eightieth birthdays of Greta Garbo and the British filmaker, Michael Powell, and the thirtieth anniversary of the death of James Dean.

Thousands mourn at cremation of murdered Sikh leader

From Kuldip Nayar, Delhi

Thousands of mourners, including Hindus, yesterday watched the cremation of Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, the moderate Sikh leader, who was shot dead by four Sikh extremists on Tuesday. The cremation, with full state honours, was performed at his home village, Longowal.

Kirpal Singh, a high priest from Amritsar's Golden Temple, lit the pyre, which was decked with flowers and wreaths, including ones from the President and the Prime Minister of India.

Police found it difficult to control the crowd that gathered at the cremation ground. They made a mild lathi charge to control mourners, who chanted: "Longowal Zindabad" (Long live Longowal). Women beat their breasts to show their grief.

The body was taken in a procession from Sangrur, where Longowal died in hospital, to the village, a distance of about 13 miles. More than 200 cars drove behind the van carrying Longowal's body.

India's Defence Minister, Mr Narsimha Rao, and the Lok Sabha Speaker, Mr Balram Jakhar, were among the mourners at the village. The Energy Minister, Mr Arun Nehru, represented the Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi.

All towns and government offices in Punjab and Haryana remained closed as a mark of respect to Longowal. Both houses of parliament were adjourned for the day after leaders of different political parties had paid tributes

The ruling Congress (I) party passed a resolution that a fitting tribute to Longowal would be a "determined fight" against the forces which were out to destroy national unity.

However, anger and anguish over the assassination of Longowal did not deter extremists from firing at and wounding a Hindu civil servant; Ravinder Kumar Walia, in Jalandhar, where a Congress (I) functionary was shot dead on Tuesday.

Two time-bombs were found in a bus in Delhi and defused.

As a precautionary measure, Ludhiana, an industrial town in Punjab, has been placed under curfew. People injured at Longowal have been brought here for treatment.

Longowal death leaves vacuum

From Our Correspondent, Delhi

The assassination of Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, the Sikh Akali Dal leader, has dealt a severe blow to the recent Punjab accord. Longowal was carrying the entire burden of implementation.

He could not bring round Mr Prakash Singh Badal, former chief minister of Punjab, and Mr Gurcharan Singh Tohra, head of the Shrimoni Gurdwara Prabandak committee, which manages Sikh temples and funds. They wield quite a lot of influence in the Akali party.

They vainly opposed endorsement of the accord at the party's conclave three weeks ago. Now, with Longowal gone, they may regain lost ground.

On the other hand, the breakaway "United" Akali party has relentlessly opposed the accord. Though representing 15 to 20 per cent of the Sikh community, the faction has strong support among women and youth, who were swayed by the fundamentalist Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, a hawk, who was killed when the Army entered the Golden Temple at Amritsar 15 months ago.

Mr Joginder Singh, who now leads the faction, is the father of Bhindranwale. Extremists, who have indulged in indiscriminate killings in Punjab and who shot Longowal, owe allegiance to this faction. They are also the people who dream about Khalistan, an independent Sikh state.

With opposition within and without the Akali Party, Longowal's presence was considered essential for the accord to survive the coming poll in Punjab, scheduled for September 22. Few leaders in the party have the influence or courage to fight the election on the basis of the accord. Longowal was, in fact, converting the election into a referendum on the accord.

This does not mean that the accord is practically dead for the Akalis, but that it may face more opposition in the future than at present. It appears that dissidents within the Akali Party, who did not say anything in the presence of Longowal, may seek more clarifications, if not concessions, from the Indian Government.

Delhi is committed to the accord and does not want to defer the poll, though all opposition parties in parliament have demanded its postponement on grounds that conditions are not conducive to a peaceful poll.

However, immediate polls may pose difficulties for the Akalis. Longowal was authorized by the party to nominate candidates and to enter into an alliance with any party he liked. Now there is no one to replace him.

The party executive may elect another leader, who could be either Mr Badal or Mr Tohra – who have not accepted the accord fully and who favour postponement of elections – rather than Mr Balwant Singh, former Punjab finance minister, who negotiated the accord on behalf of Longowal, or Surjeet Singh Barnala, a former central government agriculture minister.

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Man held in hunt for envoy killer

Cairo (Reuter) – An Egyptian whose car is believed to have been used in the killing here of an Israeli diplomat was arrested yesterday. Police named the man as Osama Ali and said he was being interrogated.

Mr Albert Atraghji aged 30, administrative attaché at the Israeli Embassy, was killed on Tuesday while driving to work with his wife and a woman embassy secretary when three unidentified gunmen opened fire from another car in Cairo's Maadi district.

In the hunt for the gunmen, who also wounded Mr Atragnji's wife Ilana and the secretary, Mazal Menashe, tight security checks were imposed at Cairo airport and other exit points.

● HELSINKI: Dr Butros Ghali, Egypt's influential deputy Foreign Affairs Minister yesterday expressed the hope that the killing of the Mr Atraghji would not further complicate the middle east peace process (Christopher Walker writes). In an interview with *The Times*, Dr Butros Ghali, who is attending a legal conference in Helsinki, said "We sincerely hope that the Israelis will appreciate that we have done our utmost to try and prevent this kind of action ocurring "unfortunately it appears to have been one of those terrorist incidents of the type that can now happen in any part of the world."

Paris-Bonn drive to reform EEC

From Sheila Jones Bonn

Efforts appeared to be under way in Bonn last night to prepare a watertight Franco-German case for reform of the European Community later this year, in the face of anticipated opposition from the British.

The West German Foreign Minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, met his French counterpart, M Roland Dumas, in hastily arranged private talks in Bonn last night ahead of next month's EEC conference in Luxembourg. Further talks will take place in the South of France on Saturday between Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President Mitterrand.

The EEC decided in Milan in June that reform was necessary within the Community, but they failed to agree on terms. Britain, Denmark and Greece want to retain the Treaty of Rome, under which the EEC is constituted, and retain the right of national veto while curbing its use.

But France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg, want to end veto rights in the European Parliament, to speed up decision making and to push through reforms of the treaty.

The talks last night between Herr Genscher and M Dumas are likely to have touched on the French Eureka technology project, and on the Eurofighter project.

Earlier this month, France dropped out of plans to develop a European fighter jet for the 1990s after West Germany came down on the side of the British design concept rather than the French. France has also been concerned over Herr Kohl's enthusiasm for the US Strategic Defence Initiative and his concomitant lack of support for the French Eureka programme.

Policeman used gun 'illegally'

Athens – A Greek policeman whose gun killed a British woman holiday maker with the same shot which wounded her American fiancé in a scuffle at a seaside resort last week, has been charged with attempted murder and illegal use of arms (Mario Modiano writes).

The Athens director of public prosecutions found that the policeman, Nikos Stathopoulos, aged 25, had lost his nerve and shot at Mr Michael Taylor, aged 26, a geophysicist from Texas, "in anger", when the couple driving a car refused to submit to a check by three plainclothes policemen in an unmarked police car. The bullet pierced Mr Taylor's leg fatally injuring Catherine Bull, who had been thrown to the ground by the policeman.

Britain extends food aid flights

The British charter of a Hercules aircraft, ferrying emergency food aid from Khartoum to famine-stricken areas of Western Sudan, is to be extended by a further two months at a cost of £1.3 million, the Overseas Development Administration announced (Our Political Correspondent writes).

The charter began last month for a Save the Children Fund airlift, and Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development, has also approved a further £300,000 to help maintain the fund's 132 lorry road haulage operation in western Sudan.

Audis recalled

Wolfsburg (AFP) – The West German company, Volkswagen-Audi, announced here that it was recalling a million of its cars – half of them sold abroad – because of faulty brake pipes. A spokesman said the flexible pipes had hairline cracks and could burst "in two to three years".

Wine arrests

Vienna – Two more wine merchants were arrested by Austrian police ringing the total held in connection with the country's wine scandal to 47. The latest arrests included the mother of a young wine dealer investigated by Austrian police last month.

Guiana anger

Paris – A French Guianese Socialist party delegation arrived here to meet ministers over the presence of French Legionnaires in Kourou, in connection with last week's disturbances during which Legionnaires ransacked part of the town.

Arms ban

Stockholm (Reuter) – Sweden has banned all arms shipments to Singapore after prosecutors said missiles sold to the country had been illegally diverted to the Middle East, the Foreign Trade Ministry said.

Transplant father jailed

From Tony Duboudin, Melbourne

The father of a girl who received a heart-lung transplant in Britain earlier this year has been jailed for a year after robbing a suburban McDonald's hamburger restaurant to get money for his daughter's operation.

Robert Mathews, aged 40, described the armed robbery as "an act of desperation" after the Federal Government refused to pay for Brook Mathews's operation.

Mathews admitted theft and armed robbery. He held up the McDonald's with a shotgun and took $A2,144 dollars (£1,050) on December 13 last year.

Judge Dyett, in the county court here, said that Mathews could serve his sentence at a day attendance centre rather than go to jail.

Brook Mathews's successful operation in Britain was paid for anonymously.

Satellite destroyer will give US space initiative

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

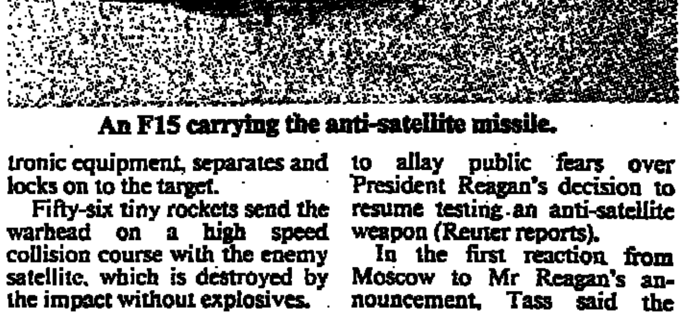
America's planned first test of an anti-satellite weapon marks a rapid acceleration in superpower competition to seize the military initiative in space. The US system is a high-technology device, in sharp contrast to what experts describe as the Soviet Union's cumbersome "blunderbuss".

It appears that the US is about to leap decisively ahead of Russia in the quest for reliable anti-satellite techniques. The Soviet Union has for years had the only operational system, a primitive but perhaps reasonably effective weapon launched by a huge liquid-fuelled rocket. America's air-launched device is merely 18ft long.

The Reagan Administration's determination to compete with Russia's anti-satellite ability will cast a further shadow over the November summit in Geneva between President Reagan and Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader.

While not wishing to blight the talks in advance, Washington officials are cautious about the prospects for progress in key arms control areas. Somewhat tongue-in-cheek, the White House said there was no reason why the test should have any impact on the summit.

America's system is launched from an F15 fighter from an altitude of 18 miles. A missile boosted by a two-stage rocket speeds in a direct line towards the vicinity of the target. A high technology "jewel" on the tip of the missile, packed with electronic equipment, separates and locks on to the target.



An F15 carrying the anti-satellite missile.

Fifty-six tiny rockets send the warhead on a high speed collision course with the enemy satellite, which is destroyed by the impact without explosives.

● MOSCOW: Tass accused Washington yesterday of using irrelevant and false arguments to allay public fears over President Reagan's decision to resume testing an anti-satellite weapon (Reuter reports).

In the first reaction from Moscow to Mr Reagan's announcement, Tass said the proposed tests were a "new challenge to the world" and had caused a wave of criticism Administration officials "made recourse to false justifications" in an attempt to impress on the US public that the tests would contribute towards progress in the Geneva talks the Soviet agency said.

The White House spokesman, Mr Larry Speakes, said on Tuesday that the tests, in which a small weapon will be fired at an old US satellite, would give Moscow an incentive to reach agreement at the talks on nuclear and space arms.

The Soviet Union already has a rudimentary anti-satellite system and has offered to call a moratorium on testing if the United States stops its trials. Moscow has said US deployment of an anti-satellite weapon would heighten the space arms race.

Correction

The opening paragraph in a report, "Star Wars, popularity fades" (August 15), should have read: "A majority of Americans interviewed in a poll late last month said they disapproved of President Reagan's Star Wars plan in the light of criticisms made against it." The last sentence of the report should have read: "But only 30 per cent of the women approved, while 65 per cent disapproved."

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Greece tightens law and offers rewards in hunt for forest arsonists

From Mario Modiano, Athens

Three big forest fires were still raging in northern Greece yesterday as the Greek Government announced rewards of 30 million drachmas (about £150,000) for information leading to the capture of arsonists.

The rewards, the most striking of a series of measures approved by the Inner Cabinet on Tuesday, reflect the view of Mr Andreas Papendreou, the Prime Minister, that the spate of forest fires in Greece in the past two months is part of a plot to produce political destabilization.

Opposition critics dismiss the conspiracy theory and argue that the rewards will at best be as ineffectual as those offered in 1982 after a comparable wave of forest fires, and that they could touch off a dangerous "witch-hunt" nationwide.

Four Italian tourists were detained and questioned by police near Kavala, in northern Greece after claims that their car had been seen fleeing from a burning wood. They were freed when no incriminating evidence was found.

A boy, aged 13, who admitted starting a fire in an olive grove at Galatas, south of Poros Island, to spite its owner, told a Piraeus magistrate that police had used threats to force him to confess that he had also started another 10 local fires.

Six Greek farmers have so far been detained on suspicion of fire-raising, mostly in circumstances suggesting negligence. The Inner Cabinet has decided to tighten legislation for the protection of forests; to set up a mobile fire-fighting squad; and to launch a programme for the re-education and training of local people in preventing and fighting forest fires.

The inter-ministerial committee responsible for co-ordinating official action yesterday announced that the week-long conflagration which consumed a large part of the forests of Thasos Island, in the northern Agean, was now under control. Even people, including a French tourist, died in that fire, which caused 40,000 holidaymakers to flee the island, depriving its economy of revenue estimated at £11 million.

Fires were still burning in forests north of Kavala and to the west on Mount Pangaion. The fire which has been raging on Mount Grammos, on the Greek-Albanian border for the past 10 days is out of control as fire-fighting is obstructed by exploding mines and ammunition left there since the Civil War.

The Inner Cabinet has ordered the forestry services to take stock of the area damaged by this summer's fires, which the Opposition has estimated at 300,000 acres of a total of six million acres of forest in Greece.

Prague praises 1968 invasion

Vienna (Reuter) – The Czechoslovak Communist Party newspaper yesterday praised the 1968 Soviet-Warsaw Pact invasion, saying it had created a solid base for the development of socialism and had helped defend world peace.

The leading article, in *Rude Pravo* marking the seventeenth anniversary of the invasion, was virtually identical to those of earlier years, praising the 1968 repression of party-led reforms as "internationalist action to save socialism in Czechoslovakia".

As in the past, *Rude Pravo* ignored an anniversary statement issued by the human rights group, Charter 77, which called on the authorities to introduce economic and political reforms similar to those adopted by other Eastern bloc states.

Several Charter 77 signatories have been detained in the past 10 days as police sought copies of the statement, which was released on Tuesday, dissident sources in Vienna said.

● **Albanian attack:** Albania, Moscow's erstwhile ally, yesterday condemned the invasion of Czechoslovakia and said both superpowers were bent on European dominance (AP reports).

Albania "denounced indignantly the occupation of Czechoslovakia by the Soviet social imperialists as an open-type aggression", the official ATA news agency said.

Protesters clash with troops at Aquino rally

Manila (AP, AFP) – More than 35,000 people marched through Manila yesterday in the biggest anti-government protests in a year, marking the second anniversary of the assassination of the opposition leader, Benigno Aquino.

Soldiers used hoses to break up another demonstration by 5,000 in the central Philippines city of Cebu. Sixteen protesters and four soldiers were injured as demonstrators threw stones in retaliation, witnesses said.

Clouds of confetti poured from office windows as 15,000 people, braving heavy rain, clogged a big intersection in Manila's Makati financial district. Aquino's widow, Corazon, urged chanting protesters to say "goodbye" to President Marcos.

More than 20,000 people in a more militant protest confronted barbed-wire barricades and anti-riot troops around Mr Marcos's palace. They chanted "NPA is growing," in support of the Communist New People's Army, which has been fighting the Government, mostly in rural areas.

Protest also took place in other cities, including General Santos, Naga, Legaspi, Dagupan, and Laoag. The Government news agency reported a pro-government counter-rally by 20,000 in Laoag, capital of Mr Marcos's home province.

A report from Naga, 155 miles from Manila, said a policeman was shot dead by three assailants.

Thousands of people stood in a heavy downpour, ribbing those who used umbrellas, which the opposition considers a symbol of the first lady, Mrs Imelda Marcos.

Mrs Aquino placing a wreath on a statue of her husband during the rally in Manila's Makati district.

The Opposition leader, Mr Salvador Laurel, waved a sheaf of papers he said was evidence of property the Marcoses and their "cronies" had accumulated abroad. "We'll never rest until those who are guilty of Aquino's murder are punished."

Yellow banners showing Aquino's face dominated the financial district crowd. Red banners against the "US-Marcos dictatorship" prevailed at the other Manila rally.

The two colours show a split among Marcos opponents on what tactics should be used against him. Aquino's brother, Agapito, told the yellow-banner protesters: "I don't want the Communists to take over from Marcos." But he said that if Mr Marcos did not allow peaceful elections and cheated, then "I will be with those who have arms because that means Marcos would have to be removed by armed means".

Representatives of both the moderate and military groups attended a Mass yesterday for Aquino followers and family members. Cardinal Jaime Sin said in his sermon that the country has been thrown into violence because "no guilt has been confessed, no role has been acknowledged, no responsibility has been accepted" in the assassination.

Colombo to investigate allegation of atrocity

From Vijitha Yapa
Colombo

A military commission will be appointed to inquire into the outbreak of violence in Vavuniya in the northern province of Sri Lanka last Friday, President Jayewardene announced yesterday.

The Government said 19 people had been killed when a landmine exploded, but there have been complaints that the security forces went on a shooting spree, allegedly killing up to 70 people.

President Jayewardene said the inquiry would begin immediately and would be headed by high-ranking military officers. The cabinet spokesman, Dr Anandatissa de Alwis said the commission was being appointed because of the conflicting reports about the incident.

Tamil separatists negotiating with the Sri Lanka Government in Thimpu, Bhutan, walked out of the talks last Saturday in protest over the incident in Vavuniya

President Jayewardene also said yesterday that the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, had spoken to him on Tuesday and that he expected some results from Thimpu.

The cabinet has approved additional military spending, which would amount to 15 per cent of Sri Lanka's budget.

● **Hunger strike:** Five Tamil rebels detained for 18 months under provisions of the Prevention of Terrorism Act have gone of hunger strike, prison officials said yesterday (AP reports).

"Three of them have been hospitalized. Their condition has not yet reached a stage where they need force feeding."

Amnesty lists more missing in Peru

By Colin Harding

At least 42 people "disappeared" in the first five months of this year in the south-central Andes of Peru, where the armed forces have been fighting the Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path) guerrilla group since the end of 1982. These are in addition to more than 1,000 cases documented by Amnesty International up to the end of 1984.

Amnesty believes, on the basis of sworn testimony by relatives and other witnesses, that all the disappeared people had previously been detained by units of the three armed services, the paramilitary Civil Guard, the plain clothes police (PIP) or irregular civilian patrols organized by the military.

Of the list of more than 1,000 names published by Amnesty, the authorities have since acknowleged that four are being held in barracks or police stations. A further 43 have been released, and six found dead, presumably the victims of "extra-judical executions." The rest have simply disappeared.

The Government of President Alan Garcia Pérez, which assumed office on July 28, has promised an end to human rights abuses in the guerrilla emergency zone, and a concerted drive to improve living standards and economic prospects in one of the poorest areas of Peru.

But the military remains in overall control in the zone, which covers 16 provinces in the departments of Ayacucho, Huancavelica and Apurimac.

Sendero Luminoso has made clear that it is not interested in coming to terms with the new Government, and has launched attacks against civilian targets since President Garcia took office. Several offices of the ruling APRA party have been bombed, and Lima was blacked out earlier this month after guerrillas dynamited power lines outside the city. Sendero Luminoso has also contined its practice of staging mock trials and executions of alleged informers and collaborators

Amnesty International, *The disappeared of Peru*, July 1985.

Niki Lauda: Confronting his national airline.

Lauda races into a row

Vienna. – Niki Lauda, the Austrian world champion Grand Prix driver, who has announced his retirement from Formula One racing to devote more time to his charter airline, seems likely to anger the country's national airline (Richard Bassett writes).

Lauda said yesterday that his Lauda Air would be buying two Boeing 737 jets for charter flights to Greece.

The decision is expected to deprive Austrian Airways' charter services of at least 10 per cent of its customers. One important Greek tour company has already notified Austrian Airways that it is switching to Lauda Air.

The national airline has yet to comment on the Lauda plan

Coke told to reveal its recipe

Atlanta (AP) – A federal judge has ordered the Coca Cola Company to reveal its secret formula, but the company has vowed it will not divulge the 99-year-old recipe.

The order, made on Tuesday, came in a suit filed in 1983 by a group of 40 small Coca Cola bottlers over the company's pricing policies, particularly the price of Diet Coke syrup.

The bottlers are trying to prove that the beverages do not substantially differ and should be sold under the same pricing structure.

Judge Murray Schwartz, whose ruling came in a pre-trial action, said the bottlers need the recipes to prove Diet Coke was the same product as Coca Cola. He said he would issue an order to prevent them becoming public knowledge.

Coca Cola has faced similar petitions before and never lost. "The company has never disclosed the secret formulas for its products and that policy will not change," a spokesman said. The formula was developed in 1886 by an Atlanta pharmacist who made the first batch in a brass pot in his back yard.

The recipe is one of the best-kept secrets in American industry. It is locked in an Atlanta bank vault and is known only to a few company executives.

Colonel on arms charge

Orlando, Florida (AP) – A federal grand jury has indicted a US Army colonel and six other people for allegedly plotting to acquire military weapons for shipment to Iran.

The defendants tried to buy 1,140 anti-tank missiles worth $9.1 million (£6.45 million), according to court documents filed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and planned to acquire jet fighter engines, reconnaissance cameras and other military equipment worth $75 million.

The seven, who were arrested on August 1, were charged on Tuesday with conspiracy, bribery and fraud for attempting to export defence articles without a licence, compromising an American military officer, using interstate and foreign communications illegally, and attempting to transport stolen goods.

The missiles were to be flown from Miami to Iran as water purification systems, the FBI said.

The maximum penalty for conspiracy is five years in prison and a fine of $10,000. A bribery conviction carries a 15-year jail term and a fine of $20,000.

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French Government faces more protests on Pacific

Assembly backs law change for New Caledonia

From Susan MacDonald, Paris

The amended law of the future of New Caledonia has been passed by the National Assembly, sitting in extraordinary session at the request of President Mitterrand, immediately after the Senate voted against it. It was carried by the Socialist majority, with the other parties, including the Communists, united in opposition.

The law differs in only one respect from that adopted by Parliament on July 26; the number of councillors representing the Nouméa region in the regional elections rises from 18 to 21.

Opposition deputies and senators, led by former President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and the president of the Senate, M Alain Poher, are once again referring the law to the Constitutional Council for two reasons. They say the number of councillors in the Nouméa region in relation to the other three regions is still not high enough and that President Mitterrand's method of recalling Parliament was unconstitutional.

The Constitutional Council has eight days to deliberate on the referral. M Edgard Pisani, Minister in Charge of New Caledonia, says that if the council does not uphold the objections, he expects regional elections in the territory to be held between September 21 and October 9.

Opposition deputies in Parliament for the debate also raised the question of the sinking in New Zealand of the Rainbow Warrior, the Greenpeace ship. During heated discussions on both sides, M Andreé Labarrère announced that the inquiry report on alleged French involvement in the sinking would be ready by the middle of next week and that the Prime Minister, M Laurent Fabius, would be going on television once the results were known.

There is speculation in the opposition press that the report will implicate middle-level officials only and not reach ministerial level. The Minister of Defence, M Charles Hernu, said he found a journalist's question as to whether he was considering resigning "very amusing". He added: "I haven't dreamt of resigning.

M Bernard Stasi, a former minister for Overseas departments and territories in the early 1970s said that he had vigorously opposed an idea 12 years ago to sink a Greenpeace vessel in a prohibited area near Tahiti.

In Papeete, 18 Tahitian independence militants have been standing trial on various charges in connection with disturbances on the island in March. Their leader, Charlie Ching, told the court that he had had contact in New Zealand in February with a member of the Greenpeace organization in connection with Rainbow Warrior's planned activities in the area.

Frau Petra Kelly of West Germany's Greens at the French Embassy in Bonn yesterday when the party delivered a letter protesting about French nuclear tests in the Pacific.

Bombed ship raised as Greenpeace fleet sails for atoll

From Richard Long, Wellington

Buoyed by 13 flotation bags and with steel plates covering the gaping holes in its hulls, the Greenpeace ship, Rainbow Warrior, was raised from the bed of Auckland harbour yesterday, six weeks to the day after saboteurs sank the vessel, apparently in an effort to halt a protest flotilla to the French nuclear testing site at Mururoa Atoll.

Police and navy experts began examining the hull and searched for clues to the type of explosives used and their origin.

The sinking has had reverberations in France, with an inquiry under way, allegations of the involvement of French security services, and a pledge by the New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr David Lange, of legal action if such involvement can be substantiated.

The 450-tonne Rainbow Warrior, veteran of protest actions which have embarrassed several governments, took four hours to raise on a rising tide, but a Greenpeace spokesman and navy experts said it was too damaged to sail again.

Ironically, the Rainbow Warrior sabotage has fuelled a backlash which will this year bring the biggest protest flotilla ever seen off Mururoa: six vessels likely to give French naval patrols problems as they attempt to steer them out of the exclusion zone surrounding the atoll testing site south-east of Tahiti.

The Greenpeace-owned yacht, Vega, arrested in the zone in 1981, leaves Auckland today and will be joined next week by the twin-hulled catamaran, Varangian, the small yacht, Shilo, and the brigantine, Breeze. The steel-hulled scow, Alliance, sailed for Mururoa on August 3.

The ocean-going tug, Greenpeace, sailed from Amsterdam this week and will rendezvous with other vessels off Mururoa.

Meanwhile, in Wellington yesterday New Zealand Foreign Ministry officials confirmed that, under instructions from the Prime Minister, they were preparing for an international legal action against the French Government concerning the Rainbow Warrior explosion.

This would include a claim for the family of the Greenpeace crew member killed in the explosion, as well as compensation for Greenpeace and the New Zealand Government.

● Campaign abandoned: **A planned campaign of direct action against Icelandic whaling ships has been abandoned because it feared such action would serve only to stiffen the whalers' resolve (A Correspondent writes). The Greenpeace campaign ship, Sirius, which received a hostile reception when it arrived in Reykjavik earlier this month, has left Iceland bound for Amsterdam.**

Greenpeace objects to Iceland's proposals to kill more than 200 whales next year for scientific research. The catch will include the extremely rare blue and humpback whales.

JAL 747 carried radioactive cargo

Boston (NYT) - The Japan Air Lines Boeing 747 which crashed 10 days ago, was carrying 61 packages of radioactive material manufactured in the United States for medical research and diagnosis in Japan, according to the New England Nuclear Corporation, a subsidiary of Du Pont.

A spokesman for the firm, Mr Charles Killian, said it was unlikely that the radiation levels were high enough to affect the four survivors or rescue workers. He said Japanese authorities had been told before rescue workers reached the site that the materials were on board.

In Washington, however, a memorandum sent to the five members of the nuclear regulatory Commission by the commission's staff last week said that the packages could pose a potential health hazard if they were damaged during the crash.

Mr James Shea, the Director of the commission's office of international programmes, said the Japanese had reported finding some of the packages intact. They had not encountered any problem and had not reported finding any radiation levels to suggest packages were broken open.

The material involved included iodine 125, which is a hazard if taken internally, and phosphorus 32, which can be an external hazard.

According to Mr Killian, the material is shipped in very small amounts. If the largest phial of phospherus had come to rest a yard from the exposed skin of a survivor or rescue worker, the dose would have been 300 milliroentgen an hour, which he called a nuisance amount.

● TOKYO – Sobbing and praying, dozens of bereaved relatives in chartered helicopters yesterday circled the forested mountaintop where the 747 crashed, killing all but four of the 524 people abroad (AP reports).

Misty, rainy weather lifted at Midday to allow the first of several flights by the aircraft, specially chartered by JAL at the request of families of victims whose bodies have yet to be found or identified.

Pilots tossed flowers, chocolates and letters from cockpit windows as two helicopters circled for 15 minutes above the 5,408ft Mount Ositana, 70 miles north-west of Tokyo. About 80 people went on the first four flights accompanied by five JAL officials

The Gunma prefectural police spokesman, Mr Yoshinobu Shibakawa said yesterday that 489 bodies had so far been recovered and 412 identified. Doctors have said that the condition of the bodies means some may never be identified.

Senator Laxalt: Not seeking re-election.

Resignation boost for Democrats

From Michael Binyon Washington

Senator Paul Laxalt's decision not to seek re-election has added an unexpected twist to the 1986 mid-term congressional elections, alarming his fellow Republicans and raising hopes among Democrats that they may, after all, be able to recapture control of the Senate.

The Nevada Senator, who is 63, a close friend of President Reagan and general chairman of the Republican Party, is stepping down from a seat he has confidently held for 11 years. With a new Republican candidate, the Democrats suddenly have a sporting chance to win in territory they had all but abandoned.

Mr Paul Kirk, the Democratic Party chairman, said that with only a few gains necessary to overturn the Republicans' 53-47 majority, "every seat counts".

About 22 Republican senators are up for re-election next year, and many are growing nervous about their prospects. Given the lacklustre performance of the Reagan Administration in the first six months of its second term, the President's personal popularity may no longer be enough to protect them against growing electoral opposition to many of the Administration's domestic policies. Only 12 Democratic senators have to face the electorate.

In addition, some noted Republicans in the party's liberal wing are under pressure from conservative ideologues, who are keen to purge the party of what they see as dangerous pragmatists. If Senator Charles Mathias of Maryland were also to step down, as rumoured, the Democrats would see a chance to recapture much of the liberal vote, and the seat, from this popular senator.

According to Republican strategists, seven Republican senators are vulnerable next year.

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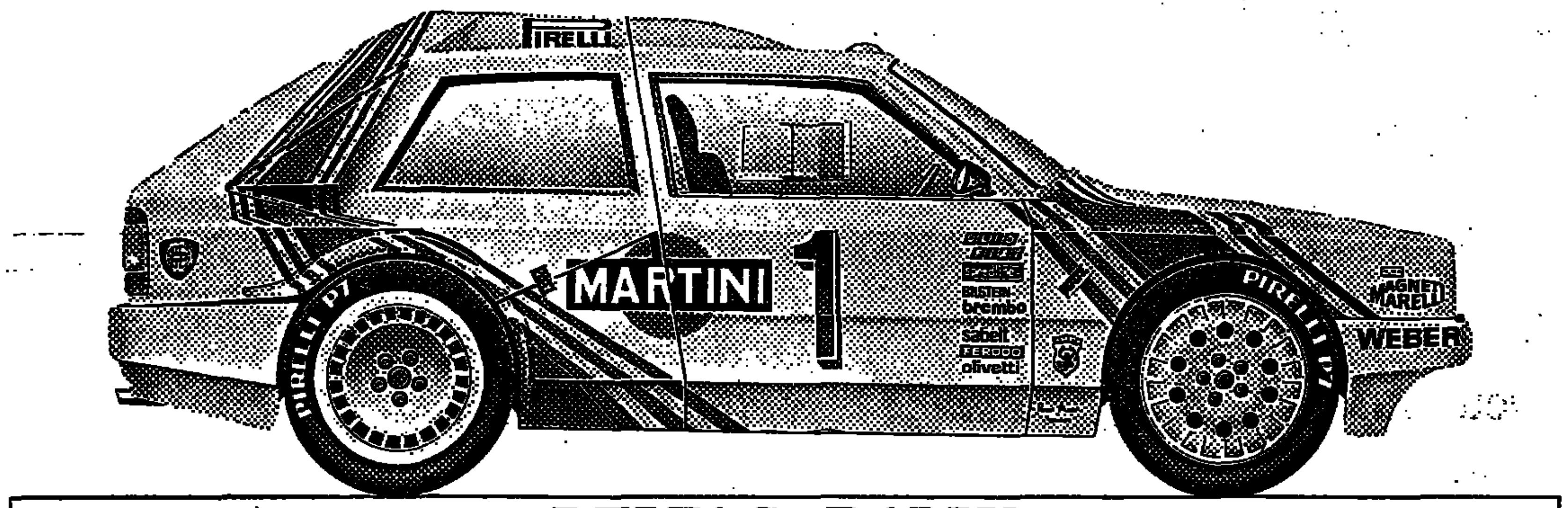

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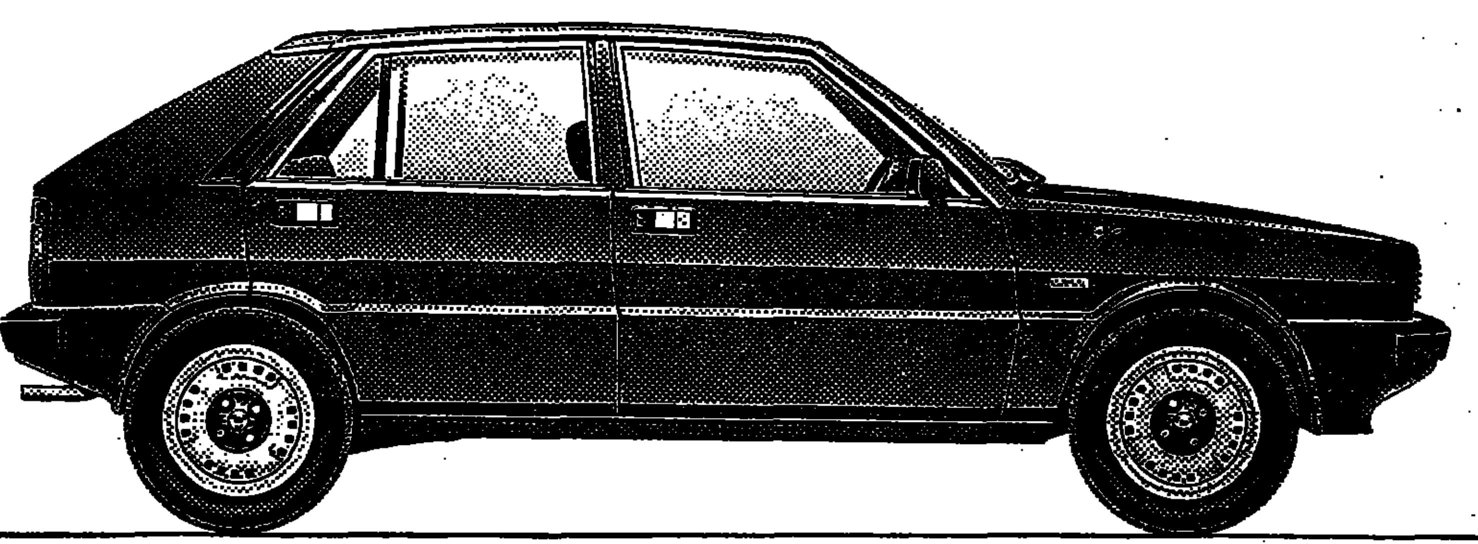

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Star Wars defended as rational

From Peter Nichols Erice, Sicily

The most destabilizing event in nuclear science would be the surprise emergence of a totally new arms system, the international conference of nuclear scientists was told here yesterday.

Professor Robert Budwin, of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, made the statement in his introduction to a discussion of the US Strategic Defence Initiative.

He was defending the American determination to carry out research into Star Wars as part of the "rational reaction to an irrational situation". But he was implicitly helping to explain the absence of the Soviet delegation by underlining the hold which secrecy still exercises in nuclear matters.

The object of this meeting is to underline the importance of openness and the growing insignificance in science of national frontiers.

This fifth conference of the Erice series was intended to change the character of the annual meetings. Already, Erice is unique in bringing together the world's leading nuclear scientists for informal discussions.

The Russians were present at the last two and this time the organizers, supported by Signor Giulio Andreotti, the Italian Foreign Minister, had intended it would move from discussion to more realistic matters.

Signor Andreotti's own speech on Tuesday was a plea for giving a greater hearing in disarmament negotiations to the scientists who, he proposed, would work with a wide degree of freedom to exchange information.

The concept was to turn Erice into a forum which would complement the Geneva disarmament talks.

But it may have been the reason why the Russians decided to stay away.

Pinochet opponents take to the streets again

From Florence Varas, Santiago

About 120 people were arrested in clashes with riot police and several bombs exploded in Santiago on Tuesday, as groups opposed to the Government of General Pinochet again took to the streets.

The past few weeks have seen an increase in opposition activity with 10 bombings in 10 days.

While no political group has claimed responsibility for the explosions, junta member Admiral Merino said "extremists", who wanted to damage US-Chilean relations and external debt negotiations by forcing the Government to declare a state of siege, were responsible for the bombings.

The latest opposition activity follows the August 2 resignation of junta member General César Mendoza, head of the Carabineros, the militarized police, General Mendoza's departure was followed by the retirement of six police generals (out of 19) and 17 colonels (out of 64).

The shake-up comes after judicial investigations of police involvement in the recent deaths, torture and kidnapping of several individuals.

General Rodolfo Stange, replacing General Mendoza in the junta and the top police post, announced the dissolution of the Carabineros' intelligence force (Dicomcar) following the findings of special investigating Judge Jose Cánovas, head of the investigation into the kidnap and deaths of three Communist Party leaders.

Judge Cánovas has found evidence linking 14 policemen to the crime.

Two of the suspects, police Captain Orlando Carreño and Lieutenant Pedro Ramirez, were arrested on Tuesday in Santiago's police academy for falsifying the flight log of the helicopter they piloted the day of the triple kidnap.

The police helicopter overflew the school where two of the Communist Party leaders were abducted

The aftermath of the coup

Living on hope in Kampala

From Richard Dowden, Kampala

The old man fell into my arms, then knelt and prayed before the religious pictures on the wall of his home.

It had not just been 13 years. For him it had been 13 years of fear and horror. First Idi Amin's terrifying rule, then, in 1979, civil war and liberation, but within a year hopes disintegrated and casual murder, theft and persecution returned.

In the days after the coup three weeks ago, soldiers had marched into his home four times and he had managed to give them enough to save his life. An army lorry has also driven into his car, ripping off a wing.

A man of immeasurable dignity, he had been a good friend when I lived here in the early 1970s. For his own safety he prefers to remain anonymous.

He has 13 children and his family is the only one in the village not to have had members killed, a feat of survival he will only ascribe to the will of God. With an inexplicable optimism he said: "Now we have a change. Maybe we will have peace."

His home is a small mud and plaster house with a corrugated iron roof on the outskirts of Kampala. He is self-sufficient in food and sells eggs from his 300 chickens. Water from the roofs is collected in huge butts and rarely runs out. The house has electricity, but if it goes off from time to time he does not worry.

For those without their own food, life has become very difficult. Why is it that a poor country is one of the most expensive? Matoke, the green bananas, which are mashed and steamed and provide the staple diet here, used to cost nine shillings (40p) a stick in 1971.

A stick, the whole branch of bananas, will give a family of six three meals, so a small family here needs at least four sticks a week. Each one now costs 4,000 shillings (£5).

Meat costs £1.14 a lb and a chicken about £2.73. Salt and sugar are more expensive here than in Britain and are often unavailable.

For the peasant farmers in Uganda who need to buy clothes, salt and sugar, their only source of income, coffee, has dropped in value in recent years from £1.36 a lb to about 18p a lb.

Sometimes they are given chits instead of money for their raw coffee and many have let their bushes run wild.

Another family which lives on the other side of Kampala used to have a reasonably prosperous Western lifestyle, buying most of their food and cooking on gas.

Both parents were educated in Britain and had jobs in town. The children went to the best schools. They had a new Japanese car and a breezeblock house.

Now they are building an extension for their son out of mud bricks. With cement at £20 a bag, there is no choice.

The mother works the *shamba* (garden plot) and sells what produce she can by the side of the road.

They, too, have survived Amin and Obote, but have had narrow escapes and their house looted. Their youngest son last week was bruised and cut from an encounter with soldiers who had beaten him up and taken everything from him except his clothes.

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Aunt Sally of the art world

The Times Profile: Lord Gowrie

He is a new breed of arts minister. His predecessors have been judged on their ability – or lack of it – to squeeze money out of the Treasury to feed the ever-squealing inhabitants of the arts community.

But Lord Gowrie, who everyone agrees possesses a genuine feeling and admiration for the arts, does not believe that chasing the Chancellor for a bigger slice of the cake is necessary or desirable.

Next week he makes the annual jaunt which is the high point for any arts minister in August – a visit to the Edinburgh Festival. Pleasant as this may be for Lord Gowrie, it will set something of a social problem for those in the arts world who meet him during the gentle round of cocktail parties.

For the man who is the Government's chief spokesman in the House of Lords on economic affairs has still to convince a wide variety of interested parties that his highly individual vision of future funding of the arts is not a charter for philistinism but the only real way ahead for Britain's art institutions.

Lord Gowrie has brought to the job its first Thatcherite touches, telling the arts world that its notion of an ever-increasing state subsidy is one which cannot be embraced by any government. He compounds the heresy by maintaining that what money is available should be handed out according to priorities, and not, as in the past, just spread around evenly between all.

Despite the clamour he has not cut government spending on the arts. The noisier members of the community, mainly those in the performing arts, may have found themselves squeezed but the base line of expenditure has risen steadily. One of the least heard complaints about him is the one frequently propounded by the novelist Kingsley Amis, which says that the State has no business funding the arts whatsoever.

"It's not just Kingsley", Gowrie is quick to point out. "John Osborne also thinks I'm a chap with an open door endlessly handing out large sums of money to blokes who put bricks on the floor. Yes, the old angries, the new right can always point to a lot of codswallop in subsidized art.

"What I think they leave out is that performing arts at the high cultural level have always needed to be subsidized. We're talking about Beethoven, about Mozart, about Shakespeare. I do not see how either the training or the overheads could purely be serviced by the market. And I am speaking as someone on the liberal wing, as I see it, of the Tory Party. Nor does anyone on that wing, certainly not the Prime Minister, see it differently".

On many other issues the Government and the arts establishment are poles apart. The Arts Council, tired perhaps of being painted as Gowrie's puppet, has publicly warned that the measures he is planning to replace grants lost by the abolition of metropolitan authorities are up to £21million too little.

Sir Peter Hall's closure of the National's Cottesloe Theatre, and his outspoken comments about a government which does not care for the arts, have led the charge on the performing front. A shiver ran through art galleries and museums, when they were told about a new move to change the way they receive state money. In future, it seems likely that each will receive a fixed income from the Government and be expected to make up the difference from other sources – running shops perhaps, or introducing admission charges.

Conveniently, the news came out on the last day of Parliament at the same time that the Office of Arts and Libraries announced Gowrie's third coup in the art field in the last six months, a new art-in-lieu-of-tax scheme worth £12 million a year. it is probably the single most important governmental decision in the heritage field in the last 20 years.

The Sainsbury gift to build the extension to the National Gallery and Mr John Paul Getty Junior's donation of £50 million to the same institution both owed much to Gowrie's quiet, behind-the-scenes persuasion. Those who know him say that there is no dinner so tedious or inconvenient that he will turn it down if there is a chance to convince another private individual to put more money into the arts.

The gifts to the National Gallery eased his relations with it. "I cut the National pretty harshly on its purchasing grant last year", he says. "It was very unpleasant to me. I am close to that world. That was wholly my idea, not put to me by officials. I knew that I could work away at some large donors. There were some straws in the wind about what might happen."

Relying on straws in the wind over such a controversial matter is typical of Lord Gowrie. Those who have worked with him speak of a highly intelligent politician frequently led by impulse and intuition. Agendas and briefs often have a peripheral purpose if he is in full flood. "Of course he's an intellectual. He's got paintings on his walls that most of us wouldn't give house room to", says an acquaintance.

It is certainly true that Gowrie's tastes in modern art and poetry are somewhat arcane. One of his rare ventures into the popular field was a visit to a Dire Straits pop concert in the company of the Princess of Wales. The music left him cold, but the scale and smoothness of the organization of the evening was a source of fascination.

"We can argue about the size of the Government's contribution to the arts but that doesn't stop us from going out and getting other resources. Much the most important other source is ordinary consumer spending", he says.

"There is not a recession in any serious sense. That is not to say there are not problems in some regions. But generally speaking the bulk of the economy is going well. We're growing wealthier at a rate higher than the 'you've never had it so good' era of Macmillan's time. If the arts can just get a very small additional market share and tempt more of us away from our armchairs and televisions – and don't just ask for more money but get more value out of the money they get – that would benefit them more than anything."

The arts lobby believes it is fighting for the consumer pound already, of course, and whenever outside consultants get a chance to look at the books they inevitably recommend that more money is found. Why did Lord Gowrie think it was the performers in particular who attacked him?

The answer seems to lie in the Sixties and Seventies, two decades when most of the ills which Thatcherism seeks to solve were brought into the world. Gowrie is wary of pushing his opinion. He is none too certain of the answer but points to the construction of arts facilities for which there was insufficient demand.

"It was a kind of fashion like tearing down inner cities and putting up high rise blocks. It was all part of some of the things which we have collectively got wrong. This expansion was very spectacular in the field of live performances, theatres in particular."

The result, he feels, is that society will have to take some painful decisions over the next few years about what it can and cannot sustain.

"Peter Hall, who is a splendid fellow whom I like very much personally, has a case. But he does have nearly £7 million for two and a half theatre companies and I feel he should be able to cope. I believe I could run the National Theatre and keep all its theatres open on what the Government gives."

Hall's wrath is something Gowrie will always have to live with. Divisions with the Arts Council, which Hall and others have denounced as a Gowrie stooge, are, however, something new.

Nevertheless, the council has publicly warned that unless it gets substantially more money from the Office of Arts and Libraries than is now planned, it will not take over the South Bank after the Greater London Council is abolished next year. Then there is that £21 million shortfall when the metropolitan authorities disappear.

Will the Minister respond by increasing the size of cake? "I see no need to do so. The air is thick with special pleading, very often of a perfectly well-founded kind. This is just part of the ordinary intercourse of open society politics, but it doesn't mean to say that things are going to collapse or that they need collapse.

"What is going on is a game of poker in which everyone is saying 'we won't pay for things' in order to get the Government to pay for them. I maintain that the Government has taken on a very substantial addition of permanent baseline expenditure on to the budget of the Arts Ministry and now it is up to others. Patrons, sponsors, consumers and local authorities."

And if the others do not respond? Then the arts will suffer but, in Gowrie's eyes, the fault will not lie with the Government. One simple fact is that the protests are largely confined to those affected.

More widespread museum charges are one example. Most professionals in the museums and galleries world abhor them. But there are no signs of a public outcry to match that of the early 1970s when Mr Heath's government introduced fees.

Lord Gowrie says it is up to institutions themselves whether they charge or not. He will maintain state funding, but the bodies will be expected to raise a percentage of their income from elsewhere and be allowed to keep the profits they make.

"I went to the great Bacon exhibition at the Tate and no one was objecting to paying £2. It was pretty full and a better £2 worth would be hard to find anywhere in the world. Many places will decide never to charge and I don't make any criticism of them for that. The pressure from us is that they should have incentives to maximize their take from the public."

The arts take up most of Lord Gowrie's time.. The rest is divided between responsibilities for running the Civil Service and duties at the Treasury. He finds the Civil Service a help in tackling in arts problems. It enables him, he says, to show to arts bodies the savings which have been made in the Civil Service.

Since television came to the Lords he has gained a degree of public recognition as one of the Government's spokesman – frequently, I noted, appearing on the losing side.

Frequently? No, he said, there had been the vote on top people's pay, but the argument had been won and the vote only lost because a number of Tory peers had been allowed to go home early through over-confidence.

It was the sort of year to expect under the Salisbury rules, that Lords dictum which says the upper chamber will not use its in-built Tory majority against a Labour government but feels free to act as it wishes against the Conservatives.

An end-of-term report would come out pretty favourably, he felt. There were disappointments in the musical field: he would like to see a nationalized super-orchestra formed which relied principally on state income.

"Most of our competitor countries have got at least one orchestra resourced at a very high level."

He would also be pleased if Gerald Scarfe would agree to sell a typically grotesque newspaper cartoon which depicts him preaching to the arts world with the words: "OK, get out there and hustle!"

"Do you know, I really didn't mind that one bit, but he won't sell it to me."

David Hewson

BIOGRAPHY

1939:	Born Alexander Patrick Greystell Hore-Ruthven.
1942:	After the death of his father in action in Libya, he is brought up by his grandfather.
1945:	The title Earl of Gowrie is restored, having been prohibited "forever" in 1600.
1955:	Inherits the title on the death of his grandfather. Educated at Eton, Balliol College, Oxford, editor of Isis.
1962:	Marries Xandra Bingley (dissolved 1973).
1963-64:	Lecturer at the State University of New York.
1965-68:	Tutor in English literature at Harvard.
1969-72:	Lecturer in English and American literature at London University.
1971:	Tory Party whip in the Lords and Parliamentary representative to UN.
1972:	Government whip.
1974:	Marries Adelheid Gräfin von der Schulenburg.
1979:	Minister of State for Employment.
1981:	Moves to the Northern Ireland Office, becoming deputy to the Secretary of State two years later.
1983:	Appointed Minister for the Arts.
1984:	In addition to his arts role, he is appointed Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and becomes chief economic spokesman for the Government in the House of Lords.

Treasure on tape in pirate island

Singapore is under pressure to stamp out copyright theft, writes Simon Napier-Bell

Singapore has often been condemned as the international centre of copyright theft. Every street and arcade in the island state has shops selling incredibly cheap, pre-recorded cassettes – classical, rock, pop, jazz, Chinese, Indian, ethnic and electric. Prices are around 25 per cent of the original tape or record. Sometimes, for as little as £1, you can buy a cassette that contains two albums.

Some cassettes are forgeries, pretending to be the actual tape released by a record company. Others are simply pirated, but the makers boast that they are of better quality than the original. Official figures show that 34 million pirated tapes are exported each year, but this is probably around 10 per cent of the real figure. Saudi Arabia alone is thought to take 30 million.

> **‘Entire libraries have been supplied free of royalties’**

In every case the tapes are sold with no payment of copyright royalty to the composer, the artist, the music publisher or the record company, and the yearly loss to the world's music industry has been put at more than $100m (£71.5m). The Singapore government knows this is going on, but has chosen to turn a blind eye.

Earlier this year, Singapore pirates even came in for international condemnation when they produced thousands of counterfeit copies of the song "Do They Know It's Christmas", the British Band Aid charity record made to raise money for famine victims in Africa. Music piracy, however, is only the tip of a massive iceberg.

Singapore is also the world's leading centre for piracy of films, videos, records and books. Pirated books are not just novels, and paperbacks, but encyclopaedias and medical textbooks. In some countries, entire university libraries have been supplied, royalty free, from Singapore.

It is estimated that at least 25 million pirated books have been exported from the country in the last five years, most being sent to Jordan before being reshipped. Some are such perfect forgeries that they can be detected only by chemical analysis of the paper.

Singapore has also supplied tens of thousands of pirated videos to oil-rich homes in the Middle East, and computer software exporters are afraid to sell new programs because of the risk that they could be copied and sold, both locally and abroad, at cut prices.

Now the world watchdog body of the recording industry, the International Federation of Phonogram and Videogram Producers (IFPI) is to hold talks with Singapore's Copyright Revision Committee, which has been at work since last year in the face of pressure from some of Singapore's trading partners, led by the United States.

IFPI says that that six major syndicates, with investments of $1 million each, are operating in the country, producing cheap tapes for export, and that pirated tapes, distributed through a thousand or so retail outlets, dominate 90 per cent of the Singapore market.

IFPI has been campaigning since 1980 for a copyright Act which would have strong powers, including long imprisonment and hefty fines, in dealing with music pirates, but it is not clear whether Nicholas Garnett, IFPI's regional director, will find himself much nearer his goal when he meets Herman Hochstadt, chairman of Singapore's Copyright Revision Committee, next week.

It was Lee Kuan Yew, ruler of Singapore for the last 25 years, who himself announced in 1968 that Singapore's radio and television stations would cease paying performance royalties on overseas works.

The step was taken to protect the foreign reserves of the newly-independent State. It seemed absurd to Mr Lee then for an almost bankrupt country to pay precious overseas currency into the coffers of properous foreign music corporations. The critical question is to what extent Mr Lee will take the same view again – and he has a record of putting the interests of his country first.

The author is the manager of the pop group Wham!

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Gerry Woolf reports on the dangers posed by contaminated food on aircrafts

The hidden threat to airline safety

While most airline passengers are currently worried about mid-air explosions and hijacks, a much less publicized threat to safety is stalking the world's air routes. The threat is food poisoning which, according to two American community medicine specialists writing in a recent paper*, is by far the greatest cause of pilot illness and probably more of a threat to safety than terrorism.

Professor Stanley Mohler and Dr Kenneth Beers, of Wright State University School of Medicine, in Dayton, Ohio, say the problem is evident from flight crew records and aviation medicine literature. Yet in the past 30 years there have been only 20 properly documented incidents of civil aviation food poisoning. Professor Mohler accuses airlines of gross under-reporting of the problem except when a large number of passengers become ill.

In March last year British Airways was involved in a big food poisoning outbreak following which one person died and at least 700, including 135 flying staff, were affected. One Concorde flight was cancelled because the captain became ill. The outbreak was traced to a salmonella infection in an aspic food glaze.

One of the victims, Laraine Ashton, who runs a London modelling agency, was affected soon after landing in Los Angeles. She said: "At first I thought it was jet lag, but after two days I was dehydrated and on the verge of a coma. I had a feeling it was the airline meal but I wasn't sure until I read about the other cases in the papers." She was put on an intravenous drip in hospital for two days and spent three weeks convalescing.

Serious though salmonella poisoning is, it does not pose the most serious threat to safety. Because it takes between eight and twelve hours to take affect, crew and passengers are likely to have landed before becoming ill. Another bacterium, *staphylococcus aureus*, produces serious symptoms in less than an hour. Professor Mohler believes this form of food poisoning could turn the disaster-film fantasy of pilots sick at the controls into reality.

The practice of pilots on the same flight eating different meals might not protect them for *staphylococcus aureus* is spread from small wounds, possibly on a chef's hand. If different meals are prepared in the same kitchen they can all be infected.

Most airlines sub-contract catering work. According to Mohler the contractors "put on a show when the airline signs the catering contract and then the standards fall". Though the airlines still had a responsibility to monitor hygiene "the trouble is the airlines are just not interested enough in food", he said.

The airlines are reluctant to comment on criticism of food hygiene. British Airways is still dealing with compensation claims and "we don't want to get dragged into this", said Norman Lornie of BA's public affairs department.

In Britain, airline catering is monitored by the environmental health officers of the local authorities around the airports. At Heathrow the responsibility is shared by Hillingdon and Hounslow.

Geoff Manners, principal environmental health officer for Hillingdon, said he was satisfied with standards on the northern side of the airport, where his team regularly checks eight companies. Gordon Hayne, who inspects the southern side, refused to discuss the BA salmonella incident, which is the subject of a confidential report to the Hounslow council. The council also refused to comment on the report's findings.

Overseas, standards vary according to airline and to public health authorities in each country. Fred Yateman of the British Airline Pilots Association said that to his knowledge food poisoning had not been a problem for members. "If it had we'd have done something about it." British pilots were particular about what they ate on stopovers and it would be "very bad luck" if pilots went down with the same bug.

But there have been close calls, Mohler cites the case of a Japanese Airlines 747 flight from Tokyo to Paris 10 years ago. The plane stopped over at Anchorage where a breakfast of ham and cheese omelettes was brought on board. The meal was served in flight and while still in the air 196 of 344 passengers became violently ill.

It was only chance that the crew did not eat the meal: there had been a change of pilots at Anchorage and the fresh crew had already eaten.

Professor Mohler wants to see much stricter regulations on the preparation and serving of airline foods. The fact that some of the food tastes like plastic is clearly least of our problems.

* *Aviation, Space and Environmental Medicine Journal*, Aerospace Medical Association, Washington, June 1985.

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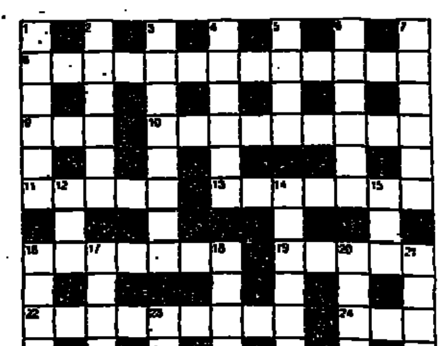

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Hunchback, gardener and poet of his age

James Fenton on a major study of that bundle of complexities & moral defender, Alexander Pope

ALEXANDER POPE: A LIFE
By Maynard Mack
Yale University Press, £15.95

Pope was very keen on posterity and would have been disappointed at the amount of attention his biography has been given until now. His poems and letters he was able to edit himself, but Warburton failed to write the expected Life, sitting on the project until it was too late for Spence to do so. In this century there has been no *completed* attempt at a full biography, although much has been written about Pope and his circle, and although the poems themselves have been magisterially presented in the Twickenham edition.

People are brought up to believe in Pope as the greatest poet of his generation, although this claim rests on achievements which are of the uncongenial to modern taste. The reputation is, to a certain extent, artificial, or taken on trust. Formers of taste, such as Eliot and Pound, persuaded people to love Donne's *Songs and Sonnets*, and lured the adventurous reader towards the earlier, rougher translators of Homer and Virgil. I doubt however if much of Pope's poetry found its way into the 20th-century backpack. Maynard Mack remarks during this book that we, by which he means contemporary America, seem to have lost the taste for poetry altogether. I don't think this is true, but I can see how it would seem true to someone who has devoted so much time to the study of Pope.

Professor Mack, who edited Pope's *Essay on Man*, is the perfect choice of biographer. The subject is extremely complicated to unravel, since the publishing practices of the time involved so much skullduggery; since libels and slanders had a way of persisting and proliferating; and (this is merely another way of looking at the same problem) since political intrigue of a callous and ruthless type was absolutely a way of life. In the hope of drawing something of a general readership, Professor Mack decided to write an entirely self-explanatory biography. All the key figures are introduced, and all the history you need is here. Not only that. It is quite possible for the biographer of a writer to forget that the most important part of his story is what happens when his subject sits down and puts pen to paper, or when he picks up a book. There is nothing so frustrating as a biography in which the study doors are always closed. But in this account we get to look at the books Pope read, we are shown some of his marginalia, we go through manuscripts and their corrections, and, most importantly, there is a full critical discussion of all the major works.

So it is a big book. A major book. Pope wasn't only a writer, he was also a gardener, a designer of parks, a shrewd and innovative publisher, an editor, a correspondent, a sociable man, a polemicist and a political figurehead. There is a great deal to be done, and Professor Mack does it well. His drawbacks are minor: there is a foible for using overdone tags like "Aye, there's the rub" or "It was the best of times . . . etc" or a snatch of "Fern Hill", and some of the images made less hectic. There are times when you can hear the professor saying to himself: Now I'm really going to let my hair down. And there are chirpy exclamation marks (!).

But then there is the overriding value of the book itself. Pope's achievements as a poet have a markedly antithetical character. On the one hand, the *Essay on Man* had an appeal for all of educated Europe; on the other, the *Dunciad* appears to us, with its complicated prefaces, footnotes and obsession with inconsiderable characters, to be a very elaborate way of saying *Ouch!* Pope idealises his friends and creates whole masterpieces around them, but we switch with alarming abruptness from friendships to enmities. That more-in-sorrow-than-in-anger tone of the portrait of Atticus is brilliantly disingenuous. Pope was unforgiving. It is true that he wrote an anonymous prologue for a benefit in aid of his old enemy Dennis, but the prologue itself points out that the man is now decrepit and past it.

Some mighty contests rise from trivial things
At every word a reputation dies
For fools rush in where angels fear to tread
A little learning is a dangerous thing
To err is human, to forgive, divine
Hope springs eternal in the human breast
O Grave! where is thy Victory? O Death! where is thy Sting?
Damn with faint praise, assent with civil leer
Where'er you walk, cool gales shall fan the glade
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One of Pope's failed friendships was with his collaborator Elijah Fenton. It is true that he wrote a generous epitaph for this engaging old codger, the first poet in the English language to write a poem about a pubic hair, but one cannot help feeling that Pope was mocking Fenton when he claims that he "from Nature's temp'rate feast rose satisfy'd." Poor old Fenton. Johnson tells us that in his declining years, Fenton spent most of his time in bed. He only "rose" to go to his books. His "immediate distemper" was gout, although Pope said in a letter that he died of indolence. It is nasty to mock a man in an epitaph, especially when the poem in question nicks its opening lines from Crashaw.

Public friendships, public enmities – one of the things that surprises Professor Mack is that Pope should ever have published the *Dunciad*, which brought so much hatred upon his head that for a considerable time the poet never went out for a walk without his faithful dog and a gun. But Pope courted enmity just as he courted friendship, and though you could say that he got more than he bargained for (he was spectacularly abused on account of his smallness, his hunched back and his Catholicism) he was determined to give as good as he got. Among the many famous phrases he gave to the language, that question "Who breaks a butterfly upon a wheel?" is easily answered: I, Alexander Pope, regularly break butterflies upon a wheel.

The occasions for the two distinct versions of the *Dunciad* are worth noting. The first was an attack on Pope's edition of Shakespeare (a pioneering work, the second major attempt to set the corpus in order). As Professor Mack shows, Pope was a sloppy editor, and Theobald had a superior knowledge of the linguistic issues involved and a better acquaintance with the text. But Theobald *was* not merely a pedant but also malicious: his attack pretended to prove that Pope had not even attempted to collate the texts.

The response to Theobald was so out of proportion to the offence that one can only guess that Pope had been wounded in some way that he most dreaded, that he even anticipated so that Pope would say, this is it, the nightmare scenario. But why should it have been so horrible to have one's scholarship shown up, even in a dishonest way? Was it because Pope had not been to university? Was the prestige of the universities so high in those days? It seemed unlikely.

The occasion for the second version of the *Dunciad* might offer a clue. Cibber had published an anecdote in which he claimed that he had been out on the town with Pope and had physically restrained him from attempting to make love to a whore, claiming ironically to have done a service to literature by saving the future translator of Homer from the clap. Cibber's story contains an attack on Pope's moral dignity, his deformity, his manhood, his scholarship and his poetry. Pope's response was to rewrite the *Dunciad* with Cibber as the hero.

The repetitive nature of this response makes one wonder whether the offence in both cases was not the same: to attack Pope's scholarship was to attack the size of his member, the use to which it was put, and the morality and genius of the owner of the member. It would not be surprising if that was what Pope felt, since it is perfectly obvious that that is what his attackers felt, the other way round: to attack the penis was to attack the poet. Pope's response was just as gross: he gathered them together in one poem and dunked them in excrement. He was a lone defender of public morals, and he was known to be utterly scurrilous and vicious. The world's assessment of him was much like his assessment of the world – you were forced to take sides. You were forced into the drama of his unhappiness.

Gusts of love and laughter

FICTION

Isabel Raphael

UNEXPLAINED LAUGHTER
By Alice Thomas Ellis
Duckworth, £8.95

THE MOTHER–OF–PEARL MEN
By Mark Frankland
John Murray, £8.95

FLOATING DOWN TO CAMELOT
By David Benedictus
Macdonald, £8.95

CONFESSIONS OF A FAILED SOUTHERN LADY
By Florence King
Michael Joseph, £9.95

Alice Thomas Ellis's latest novel is, quite simply, brilliant. It will not be to everyone's taste, being dominated by a character who will arouse the same mixture of emotions in readers as she does in the book. But I defy anyone to remain indifferent, or to put down this novel unread. Sir George Sitwell complained that there was always laughter in the next room; Alice Thomas Ellis's *Unexplained Laughter* comes from further away, from the woods beyond the walls of a cottage in Wales in which Lydia, a smart London journalist, has taken refuge after a broken love affair. But it serves to make the same point, that every man's predicament is to be an outsider.

Lydia appears to be the complete insider: witty, glamorous, razor-sharp in her perceptions of other people, she is excellent value at a safe distance from her monstrous egotism. She titillates and teases; but her intelligence sparkles so irresistibly that her victims come back for more; which means more fun for Lydia. Her principal butt is Betty who has forced herself on to Lydia in a mistaken impulse of charity and remains ensnared by the sheer unpredictability of her companion. For Lydia – who normally "plays only with court cards" – Betty's ordinariness is disconcerting. Disinterested kindness is a new experience, not altogether to be relished, especially as Betty seems deaf, when Lydia herself needs reassurance, to the disembodied laughter that excludes even her.

Together this ill-assorted pair set out to skirmish socially with the local community. Invaders v the Home Team with a vengeance. Both sides play a crazy game of Tom Tiddler's Ground where the boundaries keep shifting and catcher and caught change place all the time. Every move is observed by Angharad, the ultimate outsider, the child without childhood, the speechless misshapen product of generations of valley inbreeding. She knows more than anyone of human nature and its affinity to the nature she sees out on the hills, of foxes and hares, of winds and of shadows, of love and death.

One is not allowed to sit comfortably in Alice Thomas Ellis's world. She enjoys teasing, too (how are non-Welsh outsiders to pronounce the name Beuno?) and every gust of laughter is counterbalanced by a shiver in recognition of the human condition. The book is most elegantly and economically written, and I cannot think of a writer who catches more accurately the flavour of contemporary conversation.

The Mother-of-Pearl Men is Mark Frankland's first novel, and is set in Saigon where he spent eight years as a journalist. It is better journalism than fiction. Michael Bishop, a young British banker, is drawn into political intrigue by a diplomat who sees his incredible naiveté as the most effective weapon against the machinations of various Vietnamese factions. He is counting on Bishop playing pawn and being as stupid as he is innocent; but Bishop is moved by the suffering of the man he is to help, goes beyond his brief and becomes deeply involved.

The plot is slight and not entirely convincing. Like the other two Englishmen, the oily diplomat and the boorish hack, Bishop is drawn in bold outlines, almost a caricature; acute observer as he is, I doubt if he would have been psychologically crippled by his experience as outlined in the prologue. What emerges memorably from this book is a masterly portrait of Vietnam and its people. For anyone who knew Saigon in the '60s that strange and haunting city comes to life again. The reporting is excellent: here are the chill of the Caravelle, the clatter in Givral, the extraordinary discomfort of those antediluvian taxis, and the nasal French, and the casual, automatic gesture of pouring out the melted ice before pouring in the drink, which tells you all you need to know about heat and thirst. But these are mere nostalgic details. Clear on these pages is the terrible restlessness, the seductive and deceptive charm of the Vietnamese, so fragile and romantic to look at, so ruthless in pursuing their ends. A host of minor characters are subtly sketched, recalling a vitality that surely still survives in Saigon today.

Perhaps it is dangerous for an Oxonian to stray into Cambridge territory. Perhaps no-one should look for humour in murder, castration and rape, though, come to think of it, Tom Sharpe manage something like that on his home territory. But David Benedictus's self-conscious excursion into black comedy in Academe sinks dismally in the Cam. Much more fun is Florence King's *Confessions of a Failed Southern Lady* which may be autobiography but for sheer improbability beats most of this week's fiction.

A one man show of the whole world

Robert Nye

THE MACMILLAN GUIDE TO MODERN WORLD LITERATURE
By Martin Seymour-Smith
Macmillan, £40

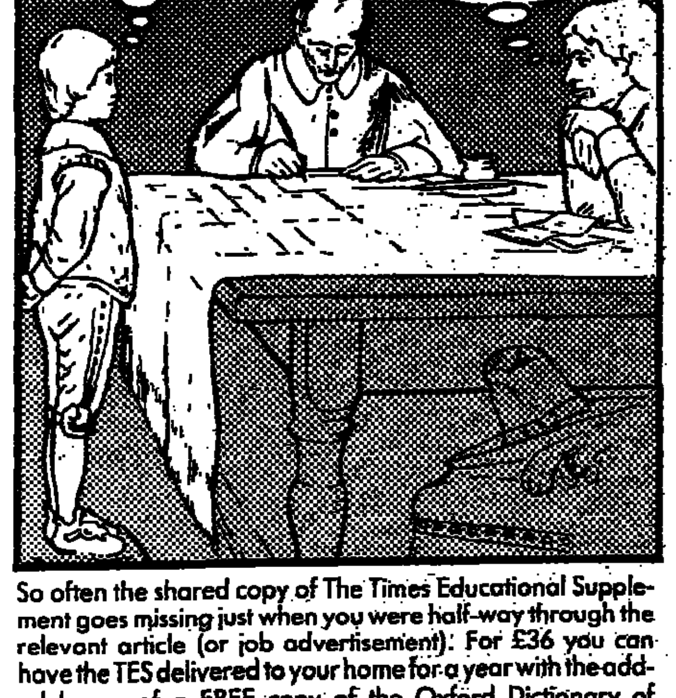
Books like this are generally written by committees, so the first thing that should be said about the *Macmillan Guide to Modern World Literature* is that its author Martin Seymour-Smith is not a committee, nor would he be at home on one. In fact Seymour-Smith is a poet and here, disguised as an encyclopedia, we are offered a book which amounts to a poet's vision of modern world literature, one man writing not just descriptively but in acute critical evaluation of hundreds of writers, ranging alphabetically from African and Albanian literature to Western Minor and then Yugoslav literature, covering dozens of countries and cultures within the course of some 1400 pages. There have been books like this before, as I say, but they have usually been assembled by a number of hands. Where this one stands out is by virtue of being a one man show, and that one man a poet with the courage of his convictions.

What this means, at worst, is that the book is bound to give offence at some point to everyone who reads it, because the reader will have his own opinions about the writers under discussion and where Seymour-Smith's view does not happen to coincide with your own the result can be irritating in the extreme, on account of the magisterial tone he allows himself in attack. It is one thing, for instance, to insist that the early Eliot of *Prufrock* and *The Waste Land* is preferable to the decorative and Parnassian Eliot of *Four Quartets*. It is quite another to try to write off a man of genius as though you were passing judgement in a divorce court: "Eliot is a minor poet; he cannot write about love; he lacks real sympathy, or empathy: he is frigid. . . ." At such moments, Seymour-Smith sounds rather like Ben Jonson giving Drummond of Hawthornden the lowdown on his contemporaries, and I want to throttle him for the confidence with which he belittles work I love.

But this, no doubt, is the price that has to be paid for the book's power – it is one impassioned outpouring, overwhelming in its informed sincerity, inspiring in that it reawakens all one's old original sense of the high import of literature. And when Seymour-Smith sensitively praises writers as different as Kafka, Crane, Cavafy, Ford, Graves, Vallejo, Rilke, Lorca, Joyce, Lowry, Faulkner, Sisson, Grass, Gurney, Powell, or Audiberti, he always finds something new and interesting to say, making a sort of gnostic conspiracy of his passion for excellence, so that the reader is reminded of the essential subversiveness of the imagination, and drawn into a real appreciation of "the meaning of the dream in terms of its own original, unknown, mysterious, day-haunting images". *Day-haunting images* is a fine definition of the blend of inspiration and control which Seymour-Smith (and I think correctly) appears to value above all else. When he finds evidence of it, however fleetingly, in anyone's work, he can be brilliant and generous in expressing his delight. And his most throwaway remarks provide excellent food for thought: "Beckett's translations of his own books into English are so different from their originals as to present us with two versions"; and of Borges, "The notion of the author as God can have very distressing consequences if it is carried too far".

The only *general* weakness I can discern is that Seymour-Smith has little heart or appetite for the pointlessly playful in literature, that is to say work where the absence of deep meaning is in some serious way celebrated by verbal or stylistic games. I think he tends to undervalue, or misunderstand such wits and wags as Ronald Firbank, Raymond Roussel, Robert Pinget, John Ashbery, and Richard Brautigan.

I do not want to end on a negative note, so having begun by saying that books like this are generally written by committees I should conclude by saying that books like this are not generally written at all. What we have here is some sort of critical classic. Nor can I believe that this is the end of it, because Seymour-Smith is engaged in what amounts to a passionate dialogue with his writers and his readers, and that again is what makes this an extraordinary book by any standards.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Nifty images of muscle-men

John Russell Taylor

WOMEN'S IMAGES OF MEN
Edited by Sarah Kent and Jacqueline Morreau
Writers and Readers, £6.95

THE MALE NUDE A MODERN VIEW
Edited and introduced by Edward Lucie-Smith
Phaidon £20

Sarah Kent does not, it would seem, derive much satisfaction, aesthetic or otherwise, from the glossy male pin-ups in *Playgirl* magazine. Clearly it is not because she disapproves on principle of these displays of male pulchritude – indeed, elsewhere in *Women's Images of Men* her own camera offers a couple of nifty examples culled from the beaches of California (how much more stimulating, somehow, than Clacton). It is rather that she is put off the images by the improbable macho tone of the captions, in which the models describe their tastes, abilities, and ambitions in much the same fashion, *mutatis mutandis*, that would-be Miss Worlds tell us about their abilities in the kitchen and the study.

It does not seem to occur to her that these assertions, far from being uncomplicatedly the kind of thing that men say and believe just because they are men, may in fact be symptoms of a deep insecurity in the men about what role they are supposed to play, what image they are supposed to project. In fact, though the tone of the whole book is on the sensible side of militancy, it is still generally informed by the assumption that men have things completely their own way, have no one to answer to but themselves, and have been ruling the roost for much too long to have any insecurities or hang-ups. Stereotypes? Hardly, because a stereotype is something forced on you, and men chose their own image with apparently no intervention from women.

But the fact remains, even if that were so, that our own day offers its puzzlements. Men are not used to being sexual objects, and even if they have no objections more men want to be courted and wooed and apologized to the next morning than feminists ever imagine – it is still far from clear what is the correct stance to adopt psychologically or even physically, as is uncomfortably evident from a profusion of *Playgirl* – type photographs showing muscle-men in kind of coyly provocative baby-doll poses which have been a cynch for generations in the equivalent girlie magazines. Understandable that Ms Kent does not care for the result, but is she not misconstruing slightly when she observes that women can often derive more erotic pleasure from "homoerotic" images out of the male dominated art of the past? Surely what she and others, male as well as female, find pleasing and stimulating in the nude products of life class is their complete unconciousness of the erotic element. Heterosexual men (more often than not) were drawing heterosexual men for a precise, quasiscientific purpose, and men rather than women just because that meant that all suspicion of sexual nastiness was thereby kept at a distance.

The actual contents of the exhibition at the ICA on which the book *Women's Images on Men* is based were admirably catholic in their choice, ranging from savagely hostile images of males being flayed or sliced up or at the very least castrated to really warm, affectionate erotically turned-on pictures of the male as friend and lover. The contents of *The Male Nude* exhibition, organized by Francois de Louville with some fleeting assistance from a committee which included (I must obviously avow an interest) myself, was less clearly focused, concerning itself entirly with what was viewed rather than the nature and attitude of the viewer. Some of it was undoubtedly women's images of men (Elisabeth Frink, Sandra Fisher, Maggi Hambling, Sarah Lloyd and others figure prominently and creditably).

One thing is clear, from both books, the one lavishly produced with lots of excellent colour, the other becomingly monochrome and stripped for action: Brangwyn was probably just about the last artist who could draw the male nude with total relish and complete innocence of any possible sexual overtones. Since then, if we are going to do it at all, a new visual rhetoric is needed, and we are far from finding it yet, whether we mean to attack or to worship.

Pheromones & odour colognes

Anthony Clare

LOVING AND LOATHING
By David Lewis
Constable, £7.95

"The enigma of personal attraction" is the subtitle of this book; and enigma it defiantly remains despite the fact that the author, a psychologist, has apparently spent five years examining and evaluating the theories and experiments designed by scientists to crack it. It has to be said, however, that David Lewis's failure is unlikely to hurt the popularity of his book one whit. It is those very questions in life which are most difficult to answer which generate the most interest and a seemingly insatiable thirst for books such as this.

For it is a book that fits very much into a formula. There is the mandatory quick tour through the main high spots of contemporary research which in this case include the study of pheromones, those sexual odours which apparently turn demure prudes into libidinous lechers; the significance of facial appearance; the extraordinary ubiquity of jealousy; and that long-running issue, whether mothers are born or made. But appropriately placed at strategic points in the text are a series of striking generalizations designed to ensure that the concentration does not falter. Within four minutes of their first meeting, people will decide whether they will remain strangers or develop warm friendships. As a bar's closing time gets closer, people without partners start to see members of the opposite sex as increasingly attractive. Men, presented with seemingly identical pictures of a girl's face will pick out as the most attractive the one in which her pupils are most widely dilated. Whether any or all of these are valid claims is neither here nor there. Their function is to arrest the attention and leave the reader hungry for more.

There are, it is true, various genuflections to science in the shape of surveys earnestly analysed, questionnaires to be completed by readers, a remarkably detailed and practical discussion of personal construct theory, and an appendix in which you can turn your hand to cracking your own personal enigma by exploring the qualities you find most attractive and repulsive in your friends.

There is much pretentious talk too of endomorphs, phenylethylamine and cognitive dissonance, and David Lewis's search takes in such diverse topics as mothering patterns in Guatemala, pornography in Nazi Germany, and situation ethics in Shakespeare; but none of this can hold a candle to such revelations as the fact that women who prefer large thickset men usually enjoy sports and physical activity, and men who have a penchant for women with small buttocks have an ability to persevere in complex or demanding tasks.

Revealed in the publisher's blurb is the fact that it is a "how to" book in that it is designed to help the reader discover how likely he/she is to get on in a wide range of relationships at home, at school, and at work. In a rare burst of candour, which casts some light on the enigmatic attraction between publishers and books such as *Loving and Loathing*, the blurb confesses that the book "certainly provided hours of entertainment" in the publisher's office. Given some of the books coming off printing presses at the present time, this is not necessarily small praise. But the mystery as to why we love the people we love remains as enigmatic as ever.

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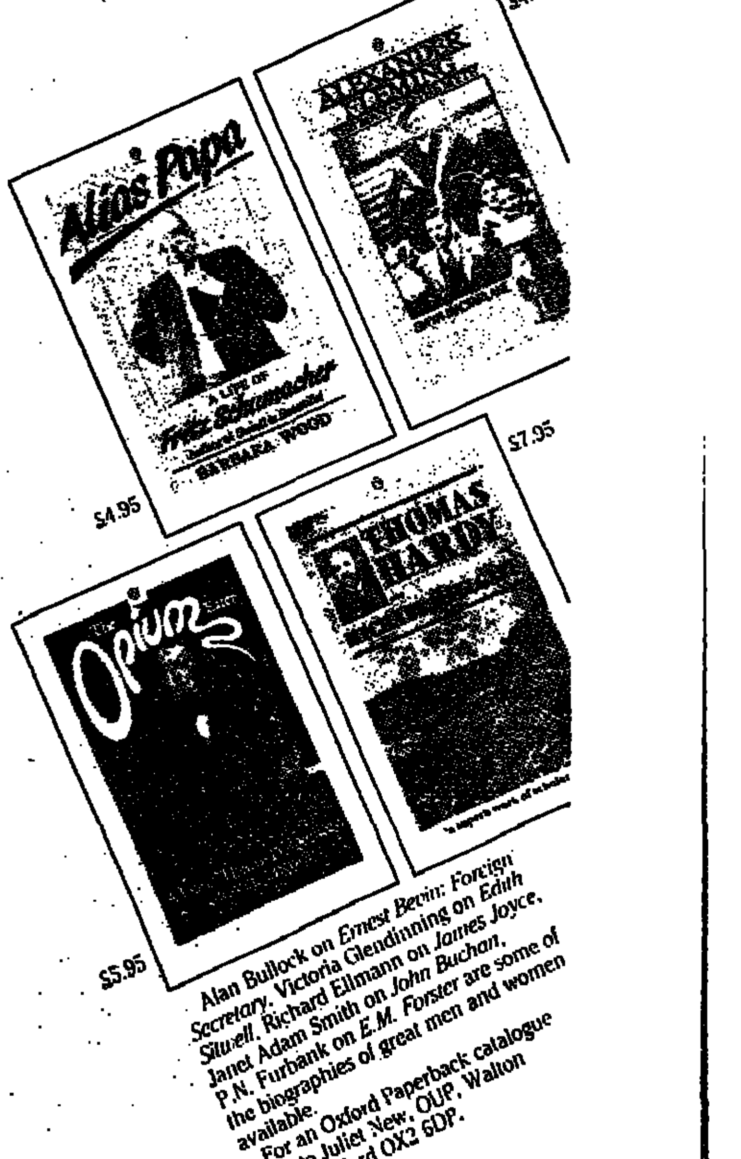

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I spy the tea lady

The man who must feel decidedly left out of the furore over Brigadier Ronnie Stonham, who reportedly liases with MI5 on BBC appointments, is the original occupant of the now famous Room 105, Hugh Fforde-Searight. A close friend of his tells me it was Fforde-Searight who iniatated the techniques now employed by Stonham: "He used to have a safe behind an oil painting, a potted plant carefully placed in front of the scrambler, and had a spy hole in the door. Unlike Stonham, however, he used the spy hole to see when the BBC tea trolley was coming round." Fforde-Searight, who, I am told, has now retired to Norfolk, "discovered God" in his last days at the Beeb and frequently retreated to a monastery. He claimed to have been an RAF fighter ace and to own a ranch in Chile. Far too bizarre, one might think, for a BBC/MI5 employee.

Close-knit

The indefatigable Lord Olivier (aged 78) tells me he has just been signed up for Granada's next blockbuster TV dramatization, *Lost Empires*, by J. B. Priestley. He will play Harry Burrard, a failed comedian not entirely dissimilar to Archie Rice, the declining comic he played in John Osborne's *The Entertainer*. Olivier has worked more for Granada *(Brideshead Revisited, The Ebony Tower* et al) than for any other TV company. I suspect there could be an element of family loyalty: Granada's MD is David Plowright, his brother-in-law.

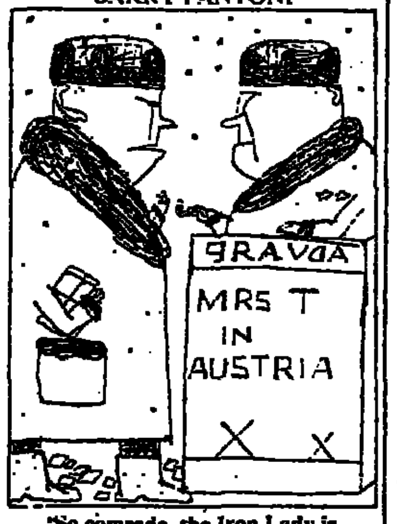
Pact off

Liberal leader David Steel must be reflecting how things have changed since the days of Len Murray. Steel is scheduled to speak at a fringe meeting of the TUC conference in early September but he has not been officially invited to the conference itself. It isn't for want of trying. My spies tell me Steel has written to the TUC general secretary, Norman Willis, three times in the last three months, each time dropping hints that he would like a pass. No invitation has been forthcoming. Unless Willis relents, Steel will suffer the ignominy of turning up in Blackpool, addressing the fringe delegates in the unassuming Lobster Pot Restaurant . . . and returning home.

Making amends

South African commandos did more than outrage international opinion when they attacked African National Congress hide-outs in Gaborone, the capital of neighbouring Botswana, in June. They allegedly left without paying their hotel bills. According to the Gaborone newspaper *The Reporter*, six South Africans booked into two hotels in the city saying they were tourists. The registration plates of the four minibuses in which they arrived have now been traced to the South African Defence Department. Yesterday a defence spokesman in Pretoria said an investigation was under way. "If our personnel were involved, the bills will be paid."

BARRY FANTONI



'So comrade, the Iron Lady is topping up her anti-freeze'

Unbeaten

With a dearth of game birds, the moors overrun by Americans and Japanese, the foul weather and animal rights activists, the royal gunmakers, Holland & Holland, display masterly pragmatism in bringing out a substitute for the real thing: a video film entitled *Game Shooting*. It takes the viewer on an hour of rough shoots, freezing grouse drives and out-of-season baggings in Yorkshire. Holland & Holland know of at least one frustrated marksman – a brigadier – who watches it comfortably from his armchair as he cradles a 12-bore..

Indenture

Our tenth bottle of champagne in the quest for anecdotes about the famous in their early days goes to Douglas Whybrow of Marazion in Cornwall: "One of Freddie Laker's early enterprises was the air-car ferry from Southend. On one stormy day Freddie was at the airport comforting passengers after their short but rough flight across the Channel. As one group of people stepped from the aircraft, Freddie spotted a man clutching an air-sickness bag. Rushing over, Freddie exclaimed 'You don't have to do that, give it to me, I'll dispose of it!' The man glared at Freddie, and in a booming but gummy Northern accent, replied 'Nay tha doan't lad, maa teeth's in theer'."

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Be your own boss, help us all

by Graham Mather

While unemployment remains at record levels, *The Times* this week found the desk of Derek Attewell, the Manpower Services Commission's Croydon manager, piled high with applications from people wanting to go self-employed through the government's Enterprise Allowance scheme.

Increasingly it is clear that self-employment could provide many of the answers to Britain's unemployment problem. Not only does it cut the unemployment totals and increase the number of those in work, but it is also growing naturally: now up to 10 per cent of the workforce, the highest rate since 1921. One third of all managers are now self-employed.

Imaginatively promoted, self-employment could help to solve the problems of benefit abuse and the black economy. It goes with the grain of new patterns of work and employers' needs. What is more, every worker who goes self-employed lifts a major burden of employment legislation from his employer's back.

Yet the Inland Revenue and DHSS put major obstacles in the path of anyone who wishes to be self-employed. Some Revenue staff are equipped with a 57-point checklist of detailed interrogation before the hapless applicant can consider himself self-employed. Worse still, DHSS inspectors administering the national insurance system are equipped with different checklists to establish who is self-employed for national insurance purposes. They rely upon the remarkable definition that a self-employed person is "a person who is gainfully employed in Great Britain other than in employed earners' employment (whether or not he is also employed in such employment)". This has been aptly described as a "negative and rather confusing formulation".

The problems for those who want to use a self-employed workforce are even greater. If it turns out that a self-employed worker should properly have been called an employee, an employer can become liable for tens of thousands of pounds of back-taxes and national insurance contributions over the previous six years, with little prospect of ever recovering the money.

When there ought to be incentives to self-employment there are barriers and potential penalties. Yet some comparatively simple reforms could make a dramatic difference.

As working patterns change, many who have previously thought themselves permanent employees of one employer are realizing that there are many benefits in a less rigid relationship. Release and re-engagement schemes now allow trained staff to work three or four days a week for their former employers and develop other clients in the balance of their time. Rank Xerox has pioneered the concept of "networking" in which computer staff can work from home in this way.

When a worker becomes self-employed his employer is free from problems and anxieties over employment protection laws, wages councils, employers' national insurance contributions and statutory sick pay record keeping. Problems with the complex PAYE scheme, maternity pay and detailed holiday provisions can be dramatically reduced. Becoming self-employed cuts all these burdens on business just as effectively as if they had been abolished by legislation – but without the political battle.

The benefit is mutual. Together with greater flexibility and freedom, workers who become self-employed receive some marginal tax advantages from Schedule D status. Yet the irony is that businesses and self-employed workers cannot choose, themselves, that this is how they wish to conduct their relationship. The Inland Revenue checklists reflect the fact that complex case law has been built up by the courts to determine whether a contract is of employment or self-employment, regardless of the wishes of those concerned.

Even if the parties think they are agreeing a self-employed relationship, the courts may apply any of a dozen tests to convert it into a contract of employment, attaching to it the entire cargo of legal burdens. Until recently, the Inland Revenue actively promoted this process, with reclassification drives against market researchers, journalists and even Tupperware ladies.

There should be freedom to choose. It would be a simple matter to modify the law, sweep away the old cases, and allow people to decide to work on a self-employed basis for one, two or several customers. It should be for the Inland Revenue to prove the opposite in the rare cases of clear abuse.

The potential for self-employment as a way out of the dole queue, however, is still greater. Reports of a test exercise among benefit claimants in the Thames Valley suggest that the presence of extra DHSS inspectors cut the jobless totals by a third as those at work in the black economy ceased to register.

More inspectors cannot be the long-term answer. The problem is that those on the dole engaged in part-time economic activity have no great incentive to go legal. But the phenomenal success of the Enterprise Allowance scheme, which by April 1986 will have put 140,000 people on the way to self-employment by paying them £40 a week for 12 months, points the way. Those people would otherwise have pushed up the unemployment totals, and constituted a greater burden on social benefit funds.

If a tax-free self-employed allowance was introduced for all those who move from unemployment into self-employment, with no tax payable on the first £5,000 of income from self-employment, the result could be a significant inroad into both unemployment and welfare benefit fraud. Each claimant who engages in surreptitious part-time work is a potential small business, an addition to those in work and an eventual employer. Adjust the incentives and, as the Enterprise Allowance has shown, the response would be immediate. The results coud begin to pay off for Mrs Thatcher and her ministers in good time for the next election.

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Paul Johnson finds a link between holocaust, abortion and embryology

Steel: his Act led eventually to abortion on demand

Warnock: opponents dismissed as 'terrifying fanatics'

Bishop Jenkins: a warning on 'moral absolutism'

Withdraw this licence to kill

The 20th century has been unique in its destruction of human life. Since 1900 more people have been violently done to death by state action than in the whole of history before that date. The Second World War killed 50 million even before nuclear weapons were used. Since 1945 conventional wars have disposed of 35 million more. The scale of civil slaughter by the state has been almost as prodigious. Hitler's death factories swallowed up six million defenceless souls. Stalin's killer system, of which the Gulag was only one element, engulfed 20 million, who were shot, beaten, starved or frozen to death.

Mao Tse-tung carried out human culling on a similar scale. The practice of state holocausts has spread to many smaller nations. Witness poor Uganda: 350,000 murdered by Amin, as many – perhaps more – by his successor. A million have died in the war between Iraq and Iran. Life is cheap in 1985.

We in the West, living under legal and parliamentary traditions, believe we are immune to this 20th century plague. Is not the benevolent state, with its caring, compassionate agencies, the guardian of life in a way it has never been before in all history?

This is a dangerous illusion. We too are catching the killing plague. It may exhibit different symptoms among us, but we are beginning to subscribe to its essential precondition – the acceptance of moral relativism as state doctrine. Western civilization has never been as strong as we like to think it. But such strength as it does possess springs essentially from the core of moral absolutism which it derives from its Judaeo-Christian tradition.

Moral absolutism is the assumption that there are certain laws governing the conduct of individuals and societies which are permanent and universal, not man-made but God-given, and the necessary foundation of any human system of law. By accepting moral absolutes we concede the limitations of our human wisdom. We admit that no human society can be wholly sovereign and that all our legal notions must be based on natural law. We can interpret natural law; we cannot change its fundamentals.

In Britain this is implicitly accepted when Parliament begins each day with prayers, genuflecting to a higher law. The function of Parliament, indeed, might be defined as making the necessary adjustments between the system of fundamental law and the changing needs of society. Its primary role is therefore as a revising body. It is a law-making body only in a secondary sense. It cannot make marriage a crime, murder a duty or false hood meritorious.

The US constitution and Congress are based upon exactly the same assumption, the Declaration of Independence, in its first paragraph, invoking "the laws of nature and of nature's God". Both the great Anglo-Saxon democracies are, or at any rate were, morally absolutist in this profound constitutional sense.

The devaluation of life in the 20th century reflects the retreat from moral absolutism and the slide into the abyss where law and morality are wholly man-made in accordance with what he perceives to be his needs. Until 1914 most of the great powers subscribed to some system of moral absolutes, however shaky, and imposed it on their overseas territories as well. That consensus went for good in the Great War.

Leninism came first, replacing the Judaeo-Christian framework with what he called "the revolutionary conscience", a euphemism for the unrestrained will of the ruling group. Then came Hitler with his "higher law of the party", and in due course Mao with his Little Red Book. The Gulag, Auschwitz, the millions slain in the Cultural Revolution – all were the result of moral relativism.

The major mass murderers have been followed by scores of minor ones, the phoenix flock of evil emerging from the dying embers of empire. Most of them have affixed a bloody thumb-print to some relativistic code of totalitarian morals, revolving round the central proposition of the 20th century: the state shall kill when it wishes. As absolute morality falls, the mountains of corpses rise, ever higher.

We are not yet among the summits of death but we are moving fast through the foothills. It is now fashionable among the progressive establishment to advance the arguments of moral relativism as justification for extinguishing life. Lady Warnock, at present the height of intellectual fashion in Whitehall, uses them to defend the state-supervised creation, experiment upon and extinction of human embryos. She is enthusiastically supported by the Archbishop of York, who warns of "the dangers of moral absolutism" and thinks that differences between "right and wrong, good and evil" are "largely a question of degree".

It is the essence of moral relativism to devalue life, to counterfeit the moral currency of creation. Giving and taking life is a divine prerogative. Absolute or nature law revolves round this principle and teaches that the taking of life can be delegated to human societies (under God) only in the gravest circumstances, to defend the principle of life itself. Consider how the erosion of moral relativism has undermined this principle in three areas: murder, abortion and embryonic destruction.

Societies under natural law regard murder as a crime of unique atrocity. Paradoxically, this public abhorrence has always been expressed by capital punishment. This is an awesome, even horrifying, institution, the supreme exercise of state power, the point at which it comes closest to usurping divine authority. It can be justified only on the grounds that, by its intrinsic but wholesome terror, it makes manifest the magnitude of the crime it penalises.

By removing the judicial right of society to kill we have removed the singularity of murder and so devalued life. This is a point the anti-hangers, like Roy Jenkins and Lord Gardiner, could not or would not see. But in consequence of their victory, murder is now a crime like many others: punished like many others. It may indeed be lightly punished. When capital punishment was abolished, the public was repeatedly assured by the reformers that its substitute, life imprisonment, would indeed mean imprisonment for life. This guarantee has proved worthless. Few killers now serve more than seven years. Many serve much less because of the growing tendency to downgrade acts of homicide from murder to manslaughter.

It is not unusual for a man who has killed his wife, or a woman her husband, to receive a suspended sentence and leave the court free, the judge considering the time spent in custody awaiting trial to be adequate punishment. The moral character and personal behaviour of the victim is taken into consideration, both in deciding the charge and calculating the punishment.

The most fruitful line of defence is thus to portray the dead person as a monster, so that the victim undergoes a second assassination, of character, while the state as prosecutor stays silent. The law and the courts are thus transforming our whole attitude to killing and so undermining our veneration for life.

The legalization of abortion is in some respects more serious because of the enormous number of creatures now killed in the womb and the "multiplicity" of people involved. The evil of the Hitlerian holocaust was immensely magnified by the fact that many thousands were needed to man the gruesome production lines, produce the fatal chemicals, operate the trains which fed the slaughter, and take away the soap, the fertilizer and the other industrial by-products of mass murder. All knew what they were doing – how could they not know? But some at least might claim that they worked in a climate of fear and in the absence of moral debate and advice. No such extenuation of guilt is open to those who serve in our abortion clinics or our public hospitals which run abortion wards little better than slaughter houses.

They know that the morality of abortion is under active debate, and that, since it was made legal, the whole thrust of medical research has been in the direction of emphasizing the humanity and even the personality of the foetus, whose sex and physical characteristics can now be ascertained long before birth. Meanwhile, as a result of the David Steel Act the practice of abortion has been moving in quite the opposite direction, killing, closer and closer to birth, living creatures who in all essentials are human beings, who can undoubtedly feel pain and even express their anguish.

Here again, the glib assurances given by reformers when the principle protecting the life of the unborn was first breached have proved worthless. For purely social reasons, perfectly healthy women are now aborted of normal foetuses 28 weeks old and virtually capable of independent life. All the qualifications and safeguards written into the legislation have been disregarded in practice.

We have abortion on demand, often of living, breathing, crying creatures, who are left to die or strangled before being hurried shamefully to the incinerator. Some hospital nurses refuse to participate in these acts and have foregone promotion in consequence. All honour to them. The rest know exactly what they are doing, just as the men who stoked Hitler's furnaces knew.

However, if the moral relativism which increasingly governs our official attitudes towards murder and abortion-infanticide is still concealed by a shroud of hypocrisy, it has come into the open on the issue of embryoicide. In its efforts to deal with this new threat to the sanctity of life, our public system has not so far covered itself with honour. The House of Commons has voted overwhelmingly against the practice but has been prevented from making it illegal by a procedural filibuster devised by its leading hooligan, Dennis Skinner. Meanwhile, an official committee has produced a report whose chief begetter declares herself a relativist, accepts the end as justifying the means and says we must balance the needs of research against the sanctity of life. So far as I can follow her reasoning, both are "principles" or "values". Well, I daresay Dr Mengele would have gone along with that, as also with her view that research into human embryos should continue "subject to strict control and monitoring". Who would have predicted the monster vindicated just as he was pronounced officially dead?

Lady Warnock and her allies in high places think that those of us who stick up for absolute values, and seek to protect life against the encroachments of ruthless utilitarians, are dangerous. She finds us guilty of "dogmatism, intolerance and fanaticism"; we are not merely "objectionable" but "terrifying". The abuse and threats rained on Mrs Victoria Gillick and her family, for her crime of upholding the right of parents to protect the moral welfare of their children, have prepared us for this kind of vilification. Those who reject absolute morality are unlikely to be scrupulous in debate.

Murder and infanticide are important enough issues in themselves. But the creation of life for laboratory destruction opens up a new chamber of horrors. I do not believe assurances that the permit to experiment will expire after 14 days. The guarantee will prove as worthless as those we received on life imprisonment and abortion.

We are approaching the point in Britain when the world of natural law and the world of social engineering are coming into direct conflict. The relativists and social engineers have carried the day in many countries. But they have not yet finally triumphed here. These issues should become paramount at the next election, with every candidate obliged to declare exactly where he or she stands on them.

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Matthew Parris

After the cruel T, a gentle Jeff

There is a method of interrogation commonly known as "Mutt and Jeff" or "the hard man and the soft man". The trick is to extract by kindness what cannot be extracted by cruelty. But cruelty is an integral part of the technique.

The "hard man" is sent into the prisoner's cell. He behaves brutally, threatening and often actually assaulting his charge. This continues until the prisoner's nerve is broken and hope is gone. At that point the "soft man" rushes in, stays his violent colleague's hand and orders him out.

He draws up a chair and apologizes to the prisoner, explaining that this has happened before – and cannot be guaranteed not to happen again: the fellow has an uncontrollable temper. But, he promises, he will do his best to protect the prisoner from any recurrence . . . a cigarette, perhaps? A glass of brandy to steady the nerves? It would help if the prisoner could be just a little more cooperative . . . The prisoner's confidence has been won. The soft man is his protector, his friend. Partly out of gratitude, partly through fear that the hard man could be sent back, the prisoner cooperates.

Two things must be stressed. First, the soft man can succeed only in the shadow, as it were, of his hard companion. It is the contrast with the hard man's cruelty which establishes the soft man's "kindness". Neither would get far alone.

Second, the technique need not be consciously contrived, though it often is. It will work wherever calm follows a storm. You can see it at work everywhere – in trade union negotiations, in the "market softening" by which the Post Office prepares us for a 5 per cent rise in postal charges by allowing rumours of a 30 per cent increase.

One of the longest-running negotiations has been going on for about 30 years. It is between the British public and their government, and relates to the extent to which the former may have their cake and eat it. The negotiations have been hampered, on the government side, by a chronic shortage of political candidates for the role of hard men.

Nor is that surprising. Preparing the way for Jeff is a beastly role. Lonely, unsung, feared, disliked, the hard man must take on his shoulders the odium of comparison with the gentler alternative.

Poor Mrs Thatcher. For the hard man to turn out to be a woman is an odd reflection on us men. She is certainly the most elegant Mutt ever to press a burning cigarette into a prisoners' forearm.

I am tramping my constituency this summer on a self-imposed "non-election campaign". People talk more naturally when one hasn't called for anything so vulgar as their vote. My constituents keep telling me the same thing. "Oh yes, we agree with what she's trying to do, but she's too inflexible/extreme/authoritarian / harsh / uncaring / pushy . . . she should compromise a bit . . . need for consensus . . . slow down . . .".

My typical constituent's position is sharply critical of Mrs Thatcher, yet on closer examination, remarkably derivative of it. They went the same as her, but not quite so much, so fast, so soon, or so unremittingly.

Derivative in two ways: first, she has pioneered the direction, or at least popularized it. Secondly, their preference is moderate only by comparison with the pace she is trying to force.

People cannot see this at all. They seem to think that men like David Steel and Francis Pym are "moderate" in some objective, timeless ways, in a vacuum. The thought that by pitching her tent on a far perimeter Mrs Thatcher has enabled men like Steel or Pym to move their own tents forward, yet still be considered cautious, seems not to have occurred to them.

Jeff, my constituents imply, would try to keep taxes down, but not (like cruel Mrs T) to the extent of "savagely" cutting services. They do not see that "gentle" restraint is only "gentle" relative to something else: Mrs Thatcher.

Jeff, they inform me, would be "firm" with the unions, but not "provocative". They do not see that Jim Prior's approach was cautious only by comparison with rumours about what Mrs Thatcher was urging.

Jeff, they tell me, would offer the teachers "more". They fail to see that it takes an offer of 4 per cent to make 8 per cent sound like "more".

So it is the soft man for whom, after six years of bruising battle, people hanker. And until he comes, Mrs Thatcher wades on, hatchet in hand, doing a great many people's dirty work, preparing the way for successors who will be called kinder and more amenable.

They will be the binders of wounds, the reconcilers of the nation – and I do not mean to mock them. Important reforms remain untackled and may be ventured upon only by a government which commands popular affection.

Nor will there be any shortage of contenders for the post. The British establishment is packed with natural Jeffs. They are dining all over London as I write. They are two-a-penny and they will come back into their own not long from now.

Not like Mrs Thatcher. She is nobody's choice for an evening at the club, or pub. Edgy, earnest, blinkered and moralizing – what a bore!

Jeff will eventually usher her out, pull up a chair with us, proffer the brandy and cigarettes, and we shall all breathe sighs of relief and say how we never really liked her all along, but hadn't thought it wise to say so.

With Jeff we shall achieve much – some of which was not possible before. To Jeff will go our gratitude. To Mutt should go the credit. She will not complain that she does not get it.

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moreover . . . Miles Kington

Bringing the banjo back on the beat

Little did the inventors of jazz realize, when they got things going in New Orleans at the end of the last century, that they would be indirectly responsible 100 years later for lorry loads of middle-aged men driving round Edinburgh playing endless versions of Royal Garden Blues. This was in last Sunday's parade to mark the beginning of the Edinburgh Jazz Festival, and I don't think I have ever seen so many banjos in one place before. The Edinburgh Jazz Festival is unashamedly traditional, which means that there are as many tubas as double basses around and that most of the bands involved could, at a pinch, play while marching. This is harder for modern jazz groups, who prefer to be plugged into the mains.

But it's the banjo which makes the difference. The untamed clanking quality of the instrument cuts through the ensemble like a jagged bed of hard rock in a landscape. For some reason most banjo players tend to be heavily-bearded men with an Old Testament look, as if the home-spun truths uttered on their instrument are a reproach to the frivolous improvising going on around them. Played properly, the banjo makes the music lift and bounce; just as often it drags it down like a hole in a parachute, but no banjo player looks as if it gives him any pleasure either way.

One of the trends I detect at the festival this year is that the banjo may be coming back generally. We make occasional use of one in our group, Instant Sunshine, though Peter Christie, the man guilty, tells me it is a banjo-ukulele, the instrument that made George Formby's name hated and feared throughout the 1930s. But what alerted me to this trend was something far more startling which I saw outside the Fringe Club on Monday night.

Parked 100 yards away there is a collapsible-looking double-decker bus which does indeed collapse into an open-air theatre, and when I passed by at 10.30 pm it was occupied by a group of six blond blokes dressed in white, doing a manically funny show. Some were in shorts, some in long trousers, like a mad mixed tennis and cricket team, but the show was based firmly on punk music and skilful comic routines. And along with the electric bass, guitar and drums there were *two* banjo players. This is clearly a group with a mind of its own. They are called the Vulcans. A group to watch.

As if this were not enough, I spotted a card in a Morningside shop window reading: "Banjo lessons wanted". Now, Morningside tends to be 50 years behind the rest of the country, and it may be that the banjo has only just got there, but I suspect that what we really have is the first banjo busker training for next year. All the lone buskers this year play the saxophone, which was the last instrument to undergo a revival, but next year I forecast the banjo on street corners. The best lone saxophonist I've seen, by the way, was playing the soprano in the Royal Mile. "My name's Steve Gilbert, he told me, "and I've come over from Glasgow to make a few quick bob."

Another trend is the tendency for brass quintets to be funny. The Brass Band (from America) are the firmly established favourites, though they were not the first: as I remember a wonderful Scottish group called Forth Brass from four years ago, who seemed to have vanished. The tendency takes two forms: to march about doing slapstick things while playing Brahms, and to play knockabout jazz arrangements (Scott Joplin is out this year; Fats Waller is in). When I heard a brass ensemble doing a musical introduction to a fiendishly hard piece by Lutoslawski, I knew that things had gone as far as they could.

But some things in Edinburgh never change. Last Saturday evening at the Queen's Hall, the American tenor saxophonist Illinois Jacquet came on to play some lovely jazz, starting late at 11pm. "I'm sorry about the late start," he told us, "but we've only just got here from Brecon in North Wales." (If he thinks Brecon is in North Wales, no wonder he found it a hard trip). "Anyway, we're going to keep the first set very short because I gather the bar closes at 11.45 and you all have to get refilled before the second half. Why the bar closes at 11.45 I'm not very sure."

Anyone in the audience could have told him. The Scottish Sunday was about to begin.

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ON GUARD AT BR

Tomorrow the NUR General Secretary, Mr Jimmy Knapp, hopes to announce a decisive ballot result in favour of his union retaining its political fund. On the same day – now that he has defeated the hard left members of his executive who wanted an immediate ballot in the drivers-only train dispute – Mr Knapp will set in motion what will be seen as the biggest test yet for the 1984 Employment Act. British Rail's 11,500 guards will be asked whether they are prepared to break their contracts of employment in order to oppose the introduction of operations that would not need their services.

The two events are not unconnected. Mr Knapp is a shrewd trade union games-player with an indifferent hand to play. His industrial suit is weak. His safety suit is weak. He hopes that political opposition to the Government will give him some trumps.

The British Rail Chairman, Sir Robert Reid, has intensified his campaign to extend the use of trains-without-guards which are a vital part of future efficiency. With firmness of purpose BR has sacked the non-cooperating men and advertised for replacements. Mr Knapp, who had hoped for more campaigning time before the vote on industrial action had to be taken, won the best ballot date he could hope for once the Board's sackings had roused the hard-liners to his left. Since in this dispute the Board has been making the running from the start, the union simply has to react as best it can.

The ballot result is likely to be known on Tuesday. If it is a "no" to industrial action, if the guards' anger at the sackings is shorter-lived than their fears for their shrinking industry, the Board will naturally be well satisfied. As will the Government – if in the short run less publicly so.

The result is thought more likely, however, to be a "yes". Memories are already returning to 1972. The 80 per cent vote for industrial action when the National Industrial Relations Court ordered its first strike ballot stands high in railway mythology. No one pretends that British Rail is as likely to cave in now as it did then but the effect of a legal strike ballot upon management resolve, public opinion and Government attitudes still remains to be seen.

The management need not be cowed. Its greatest imperative is the economic pressure on the rail industry. Ballots add legitimacy to a strike. They do not create it.

BR has said that it will not allow the network to be put into the disarray that overtime bans and the absence of rest-day working would be likely to cause. It would prefer to shut the railways down. There is a sound tactical case for this approach – and a sound commercial one too. Industrial rail customers, who have become increasingly used to finding alternative means of transport would at least know exactly where they stood.

To public opinion, however, the Government's concentration on the importance of ballots has created a sense that a majority vote for industrial action is a justification thereof. That is perhaps an inevitable aspect of the early practical applications of a new Act over which so much angry verbiage was spent. Yet whatever the orators may say, or have said, laws are tested by time, not in the heat of their first use.

Commuters will be particularly angry and those with Conservative members of Parliament are unlikely to keep them unaware of their anger. The Government should continue to stay well in the background to this dispute, saving its muscle for the bigger battles over public sector pay this winter. It should be neither campaigning for British Rail nor pressing the Board to give way in the face of public dissent. Rail strikes lose rail jobs. That is the simple truth of the matter, and may yet, regrettably, be proved to be so.

PRIVATE BEDS FOR PRIVATE HOSPITALS

Local health authorities and other "interested parties" are now considering a hefty consultative document issued with speed, but little imagination, by the Department of Health and Social Security in response to evidence of bad management and poor accounting in the provision of private facilities within the National Health Service.

The Minister of Health has resisted advice to reappraise private facilities in the NHS altogether. Instead he has sought to correct the habits of inefficiency and dishonesty that have brought the system into disrepute, not least in the eyes of the Auditor-General whose refusal to approve some NHS accounts sparked the current controversy.

The 31-point proposals principally clarify the responsibilities of administrative and clinical staff involved in private treatment within the health service. They are especially careful to elucidate the consultant's role, and do so with the clear implication that the gentleman's trust traditionally placed by administrators in the medical profession can no longer be taken for granted. This is exemplified in the new directive that "the practice in some health authorities of allowing consultants to act as agents for the collection of charges should cease".

Section 125 of the handbook states that "proposals for changes in the number of pay beds must be considered by the health authority." The new NHS general managers, appointed following Sir Roy Griffiths's reforms, should certainly take this on board. They should reflect whether their responsibility for maximizing efficiency in the NHS without detriment to the needs of NHS patients would be better discharged with or without pay beds.

The £56 million annual income from pay beds is dwarfed by the overall NHS budget of £17 billion. There are just 3,000 pay beds in all of England. It should be decided whether the pay-bed bureaucracy which now, for example, demands the creation of the post of private patient officer in every hospital authorized to provide private care, is really the best and most cost-effective use of trained administrative staff. Mr Clarke emphasises that this particular post will not require the employment of more staff but the transfer of staff from other duties; but that is no absolution from in- efficiency in use of resources.

The patient who wishes to opt out of the NHS has a range of choice available. The latest DHSS figures reveal over 200 private hospitals in England with more than 8,000 acute beds between them. The supposed need to maintain pay beds to allow choice is an idea unrevised by governments since Bevan's day, when nationalization left few private acute hospitals outside the affluent south-east.

Nor is the NHS especially competitive. According to the DHSS its average cost per day for "hotel charges" is £120 in an acute bed. One company in the private sector with hospitals in every part of the country claims its average cost is £118, for which, it points out, the patient has a private bathroom, and the room will have been decorated much more recently than under the DHSS ordained seven years' maintenance cycle.

Nor do consultants need the sop of private practice within the NHS to entice them to work in the state sector. There are junior doctors queueing up for a chance to become NHS consultants with or without private bonuses thrown in.

The extra bureaucracy suggested by Mr Clarke is correct and necessary if the present pay bed system is to be run in an orderly way. But Mr Clarke's paper does not prove that pay beds are worth such effort (except to doctors) in areas that are covered by the private hospital boom. Even in those not yet covered there is the option of contracting out the management of private wards to be run at the profit that the NHS has failed to make.

When each authority's comments on the consultative document are delivered at the end of October general managers have the chance to remind the DHSS of one fundamental precept: that the National Health Service exists principally for the benefit of its patients and not its staff. Both parties now have a significant private sector alternative for their custom or their skills, and the managers have the responsibility to say so.

PAPER RAINBOWS

Fleet Street has known some stormy times of late: at *The Times* we are particularly well qualified to identify the eye of the hurricane because of our long interruption of publication six years ago. The storms come and go, hopefully at diminishing strength, and as the clouds disperse and the sun comes out, there are glimpses of a bright and promising rainbow.

The weather changes quickly in this part of the world. The 1977 Royal Commission on the Press could not give a good forecast but took, as the Monopolies Commission noted yesterday, a "somewhat pessimistic view" of the prospects for new entry into this market by any national or provincial morning newspaper: since then, there have actually appeared one more national daily and one Sunday and some new titles in the provinces, and "several people or companies have said they are considering the launching of new national titles". Has the deep depression drifted away from Fleet Street to give better weather than in living memory?

When the Royal Commission reported, odds were shortening against the survival of the then full list of titles. The Daily This was said to be on its last legs, the Sunday That was about to fold, and the Other Group was certain to give up and go into television/property/entertainment by the end of the year. Television and radio were going to take over, with the help of free newspapers; the communications role of newspapers, and the mighty Fourth Estate would end up lock, stock and barrel in an elephant's graveyard. How many would have prophesied an ambitious bid by North of England United Newspapers for an empire like Fleet Holdings?

There are said to be two significant factors behind this sea change in the weather or rather, one provides the opportunity to create the second. New(er) technology, reducing production costs by streamlining methods of production, is the key. Computer-assisted techniques, notes the Commission, have led United to be able to claim that in its provincial empire it has reduced staffing by 15 per cent in the last few years, while turnover per employee has increased by 47 per cent.

The lock which the new people are said to want to pick is that to the strong room holding Reuter's millions. The Fleet investment in this juicy windfall was valued last month at approximately £104 million.

Not everyone who follows a rainbow is looking for the crock of gold. Some have a dream, some have an irresistible fascination. Some Press barons wanted a share in political power and influence, however imaginary or transitory. Some wanted a vehicle to draw attention to themselves or their other wares. Some, eager to prove as the commission recognizes that the "character and style of management of the provincial press differ widely from those of the national press" want to bring in the example of the provincial success stories to an industry crying out for change: where United is advancing into "direct input" by negotiation with the unions to the benefit of readers and advertisers, the Commission simply records that Fleet's printing works were the "most modern in Fleet Street", but still operated on the traditional system of hot metal. The transfer of Fleet newspapers to United may not be expected, it concludes, to operate against the public interest. How could it possibly do so?

Voting in the Lords

From Lord Stanley of Alderley

Sir, As a Conservative back-bencher whose irregular activities in the House are concerned with the countryside, may I put into words the statistics provided by both Chief Whips (August 5 and 12).

The position in the House is that, provided the amendment proposed is sensible and reasonably presented, there is a more than fair chance of it being accepted by the Government or, if the Government remains obstinate, as for instance in the case of mine in the Local Government Bill, the Government is in great danger of being defeated, though in this case the Government handsomely conceded the point when it was reconsidered in the Commons regardless of the figures quoted by the Whips.

There is of course the overriding proviso that any amendment must not wreck the Bill for I am sure your readers will agree that it is not just the job of an unelected House to overrule the elected Commons.

The Chief Whip, like the Almighty, knows back-benchers are not just numbers on a list in his stable. He is of course very effective at getting these "lobby horses" to attend but to make them drink the Government water is not within his power.

I must therefore leave it to our readers to draw their own conclusion as to why the Government have suffered rather more than the usual number of defeats or near defeats on the floor of the House

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Case for vetting BBC staff

From Mr George M. Toplas

Sir, I could not disagree more with you on your editorial today about security vetting for BBC staff.

As one who has been in both of them, I know for a fact that the Government Code and Cipher School/Government Communications Headquarters and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office frequently need to discuss highly sensitive matters with various sections of the BBC. It is therefore absolutely essential that this staff is duly vetted in the BBC, as it is automatically in the other organizations.

Furthermore, one of the functions of MI5 is to try to eliminate subversion, which, in the case of the BBC, can be expressed as the slanting of news and information in favour of an enemy. I can give you at least one case of this, so that it would appear that security clearances should be intensified rather than abolished.

The BBC is one of the KGB's main targets for infiltration; I am surprised that you should advocate giving these people a free run-in.

Yours sincerely,
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Pressing needs of youth employment

From the Director of the National Council for Voluntary Youth Services

Sir, Action is needed in the very near future if the Government is to avoid giving a clear signal that it is not concerned about the personal and social development of young people through the Youth Service.

In 1979 Trevor Skeet, Conservative MP for Bedford, moved a private member's Bill on the Youth Service in the House of Commons. This was defeated by the Government at third reading in 1980, but a ministerial commitment led to the creation of the Review Group on the Youth Service in January, 1981.

The review group's report was published in October, 1982, and Sir Keith Joseph sought responses to it by March, 1983. After an interim statement, it took until July, 1984, for a full ministerial response to the report to be made in the Commons. The Secretary of State then gave an undertaking to accept one of the recommendations of the review group and establish an Advisory Council on the Youth Service. Fourteen months later there is still no council and MPs are now on holiday.

Since 1979 many issues have conspired to increase public pressure on young people and on those who work with them. The employed 16-year-old has become an endangered species. Family break-up has increased. Violence has broken out in inner cities and on football terraces. In some areas drug abuse is endemic. Politicians offer platitudes and hopes for tomorrow, while cajoling parents and teachers to take the responsibility today.

The chief purpose of the Youth Service is to assist the development of young people so that they may best achieve adulthood through a programme of personal and social education.

It touches the lives of millions of young people, and the proposed national advisory council is a vital requirement if it is to maintain the quality and quantity of its provision. Its creation cannot wait for Parliament to reconvene.

Yours faithfully,
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Board and lodging

From Mr Frank Field, MP for Birkenhead (Labour)

Sir, You report (August 14) the Prime Minister's response to the Leader of the Opposition's plea that the current social security system of board and lodging payments should be scrapped. The Prime Minister is right to promise firm action to stamp out the exploitation and abuse associated with some of these payments to young people. She is also right to draw attention to the massive rise in expenditure; from £50 million in 1979 to £380 million this year, but Mrs Thatcher will be well advised to look carefully at why this explosion has occurred before the new scheme is introduced in the autumn.

This rise in social security expenditure cannot be accounted for only in the rise in the numbers of young people claiming – up from 23,000 to an estimated 85,000 in the last three years. One reason for the sevenfold increase in the value of these payments since 1979 has been due to the very policy instigated by the Government. The maximum limits for board and lodging payments have all too often and all too quickly become the minimum payments for most claimants.

The Government's policy was also wrongly directed in that it attempted to prevent abuse by penalising claimants (by limiting their allowance to two, four, or a maximum of eight weeks) instead of directly preventing the abuse by some landlords who have made a small fortune out of these social security payments.

There is all-party support for preventing this rip-off of public funds, and the Government would be well advised to use the time between now and the re-assembly of Parliament to work out an effective scheme. Such a policy will need to lay down minimum standards for board and lodging, and to ensure that these standards are met there will be the need to establish a small inspectorate.

While such an approach will entail an increase in the numbers of people employed by the DHSS, it does nevertheless hold out the prospect of significantly decreasing the total amount of money paid out in board and lodging allowances and, at the same time, offering an improved service to young claimants.

What other policy initiative offers the Government the opportunity of increasing the number of jobs, significant savings in public expenditure as well as improving a service to customers?

Yours faithfully,
FRANK FIELD,
House of Commons.
August 16.

Driver-only trains

From Mr R. G. R. Calvert

Sir, In 1902 the Board of Trade, at that period responsible for transport matters, made an order which required vans and guards on all trains that ran outside the limits of stations. The Taff Vale Railway, while following the ordinary practice as regards its main lines, had never run vans and guards on its mineral and coal trains in and out of Cardiff and Penarth docks. It claimed that no accident had ever occurred which might have been prevented by the employment of van and guard, and that no method of working that could be substituted for their then present method could possibly be as safe as that which the rule would supersede.

Mr A. Beasley, general manager, lodged an objection which was submitted to the Railway Commissioners. At first the Board of Trade tried to compromise and require the company to conform with loaded trains but not with empty ones, an obvious nonsense, but in 1907 the Taff Vale won their case.

Between the war both Great Western and LMS ran some steam trains on branch lines, the fireman performing the duties of the guard as well as his own, but not, of course, riding with the passengers. In 1962 both France and West Germany reported to the International Railway Congress Association that they ran diesel trains on some branch lines with driver only.

Yours faithfully,
R. G. R. CALVERT,
15 The Parade,
Truro,
Cornwall.
August 20.

From Mrs Annie Roeber

Sir, You report today (August 20) that Mr Jimmy Knapp, the NUR Secretary, said that it was "a strange sort of democracy when we are trying to run a ballot and the people who want to vote are getting the sack before they have a chance to do so."

It is a stranger sort of democracy when people strike before the vote on whether or not to strike and, surely, this is the very cause of Mr Knapp's contention.

Yours faithfully,
ANNIE ROEBER,
71 Oxford Gardens, W10.
August 20.

Apartheid struggle

From Mr R. K. D. Shah

Sir, While it is undoubtedly true, as Mariyam Mahmoud-Harris says in her letter today (August 19), that Indians have played a leading role in the struggle against apartheid in South Africa right from the beginning we must not overlook that, however deplorable the recent violence against them, the first line of attack of the deprived and disfranchised black majority population is and has always been fellow blacks in their segregated townships. It is only when black anger and frustration cannot be contained that Indians have been victimized.

That is hardly surprising in view of the position of the Indian community as a buffer, albeit unwilling, between white rule and privilege on the one hand and black enslavement on the other, a situation that is not unique to southern Africa, as the history of the rest of the continent shows.

The real danger, however, is that failure by the Botha Government to act now to stem the tide of black revolutionary fervour by announcing positive measures such as were expected but did not materialize last week is bound to unleash violence against the whites, rather sooner than later, and engulf the whole country in a racial conflict of warlike proportions.

Afrikaaner intransigence is now equalled by African impatience, but the tragedy is that the lessons of history, of the French and Russian revolutions, of the American Civil War, of the very process of decolonization and the demand for recognition of basic human rights for all, are being ignored by a white minority that is living in the past to its own peril.

Yours faithfully,
R. K. D. SHAH,
5 Laings Corner,
London Road,
Mitcham, Surrey.
August 19.

On the western front

From Mr A. D. H. Leishman

Sir, Surely the point about this summer is the return, with a vengeance, of our old friend the "prevailing westerlies", so absent over much of the past three years. Not only have they prevailed, but done so with vigour, such that neither the Continental nor Azores high-pressure zones have had a look in.

Anyone who has watched the daily weather maps will have noticed that, not since April, I would think, have we had anything other than an airstream coming in off some part of the Atlantic. Given that, the weather is, as the forecasters tell us, only normal in the circumstances: it is archetypal British weather, with all its exasperating uncertainty.

The last three years gave us an idea of what Continental summers are usually like: they are not typical for us.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
A. D. H. LEISHMAN,
75 King Street,
Southwell,
Nottinghamshire.
August 18.

Factors in 747 crash

From Flight Lieutenant E. M. Milne

Sir, The recent JAL disaster must remind many of us of wartime occasions when pilots have successfully kept damaged aircraft in the air long enough for crew members to take their chance of safety by parachute.

Captain Takahama, displaying the same skill and courage, was without the prospect of saving any of his passengers by this means.

I already know most of the arguments against the provision of parachutes in civil aircraft. But I see no reason why passengers who fly regularly shouldn't provide their own – and their children's. Canopies can be designed according to weight and the harness need not be the bulky item we remember from service flying. A specially designed escape hatch might be needed, that's all.

If only one per cent of air disasters were of a type where parachutes could be employed and if, in these cases, there was time only to get the children out, I'd still think parachutes a worthwhile provision.

Yours faithfully,
VAN MILNE,
Royal Air Force Club,
128 Piccadilly, W1.

The weaker sex?

From Mrs Jean Denton

Sir, May I defend my sex against the recent judgement (report, August 16) that they are more prone to sickness than men. The figures when looked at indicate that the age that maximum sick leave is taken is between 25 and 34. I presume it would not occur to a man that this is the time women are most likely to be responsible for young children, and that the term "sickness" will not apply to women alone but to their offspring.

I cannot accept the insinuation that women give up more easily. Past experience has shown me that you have to discover a woman fighting against flu at work – a man will probably announce his martyrdom.

I have personal experience of a working woman, whose children were accidents looking for somewhere to happen, who was most capable of running her department from the Out Patients department; according to the figures she would have been a failure!

Yours faithfully,
JEAN DENTON,
External Affairs,
Austin Rover Group Ltd,
Canley, Coventry, West Midlands.

CBI and TUC

From the Deputy Director-General of the Confederation of British Industry

Sir, Under the heading "Creating climate for manufacturing", your Finance and Industry column of August 14 misrepresents the policy of the Confederation of British Industry in several important respects.

It suggests that the CBI is at one with the TUC in its support for a national investment bank which would direct funds into manufacturing investment and in favouring the introduction of selective import controls as a means of reducing the UK's manufacturing trade deficit.

This is emphatically not the case. Our members are totally opposed to the direction of investment by government and to the introduction of selective import controls. They believe that the role of government is to concentrate on the creation of a manufacturing and trading environment which will provide maximum assistance to British industry and commerce in their attempts to be fully competitive in free world markets.

The column also suggests that the CBI wants "much more" spending on the infrastructure. Our policy here differs widely in scale from that of the TUC. The CBI certainly wants to see increases in spending on the road network in order to reduce transport costs and improve business competitiveness, as well as cost-effective spending on other infrastructure projects. This would need to be financed by funds released from government current spending by the achievement of greater efficiency in the provision of public services.

The scale of what we propose is barely one sixth of that envisaged by the TUC and it is an essential part of our scheme that any investment should improve industrial competitiveness in the longer term, rather than merely create short-term jobs in the construction industry.

Yours faithfully,
KENNETH EDWARDS,
Deputy Director-General,
Confederaion of British Industry
Centre Point,
103 New Oxford Street, WC1.
August 16.

The final sentence of Mr Greville Janner's letter (August 21) should have read: "We are confident that a majority of British people . . . would be very offended at any proposal to deprive Jewish citizens of this essential and humane religious right".

THE TIMES ON THIS DAY

AUGUST 22 1968

On August 21 the Soviet news agency Tass announced from Moscow that "...party and government leaders of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic have asked the Soviet Union . . . to render the fraternal Czechoslovak people urgent assistance, including assistance with armed forces . . . counter revolutionary forces . . . have entered into a collusion with foreign forces hostile to socialism. . . ."

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[Czechoslovakia invaded]

From Clive Farnsworth

Prague, Aug 21

Youths with flaming rags and newspapers set fire to Russian tanks encircling the Prague Radio building here today. Others threw wooden crates, rubbish bins and mattresses at the occupying forces who had moved swiftly into the city at dawn.

Snipers kept up fire much of the day. Scores of people were injured and several killed when the Russians answered back and when munitions lorries exploded.

I saw four young Czechs killed, one with his head blown off minutes after a machine gun from a Russian tank opened up on their vehicle.

People wept in the streets, screaming defiance at the tanks. One tank was left a flaming wreck and two retreated in flames near the Prague Radio building in Vinohradska Street, just behind the National Museum in central Prague.

It was on the museum and the radio building that the main resistance was centred. Ambulance men brought out on stretchers three young men and a woman who had been wounded in the museum.

The radio station went off the air at 11am, but broadcasting was resumed from a secret studio later in the day and was still active at 5.30pm.

The battle for the radio station began before dawn, when students erected barricades in the streets and buses and trolleys were brought up to strengthen the defences against the tanks. Paving stones were dug up and later used as missiles.

It was mid-morning before the tanks were able to penetrate the barricades, smashing over the obstructing vehicles and leaving them in flames.

To shouts of "Russians, go home" from thousands in the streets, scores of tanks and troop carriers encircled the building, the tanks shifting their turret guns ominously.

One youth stuck the pole of his Czechoslovak flag into the mouth of the cannon of one tank which already had swastikas scratched on it. There were screams of "dirty fascists" from the crowd.

The crew of one tank on fire managed to dodge the missiles and get out. With guns at the ready they stood in defence of their crippled vehicle and tried to douse the flames.

One tank was left in flames, in Balbin Street, which comes into Vinohradska Street by the radio building, and two flaming Russian munition lorries on Vinohradska Street were also abandoned.

From 1.30 to 2.30 a series of explosions from these vehicles shocked the area. Many in the crowd were injured from concussion and flying fragments. One youth with his intestines visible was lifted into an ambulance barely alive.

The main detachment of Russian tanks had pulled west of Vinohradska Street by this time and could not be seen, but eye witnesses near them said that several tanks fired their cannon at the abandoned ammunition lorries and adjacent buildings.

"The whole country is against this" one man said adding: "Communism is dead in Czechoslovakia". An older man said: "We need American soldiers." . . .
New York Times News Service.

Letter from a Queen

From Mr Robert Willis

Sir, It may be of interest to record that the enormous letter of August 7, 1820, from Queen Caroline to King George IV, from which you published extracts in your fascinating series, "On This Day", on August 14, was written by William Cobbett.

The letter was included in a collection of Cobbett's political writings which his sons John and James published after his death. It was accompanied by a footnote by John which included the following:

> It never has been known generally that this letter was written by Mr Cobbett, though that was suspected by many, at the time that it was published . . . It was written by my father in the night of the 6th of August . . .
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> The Queen, as my father understood . . . was so delighted with it, that she determined to send it to the King at Windsor immediately, and, fearing that her legal advisers might, if they arrived before it was gone, advise her to the contrary, she signed the paper just as it was then written, and sent it off.
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> It was returned, I believe because some point of etiquette, in the manner of sending it, was omitted. On the 14th it was published in the *Times* newspaper, and thence it went into every newspaper in the kingdom . . .
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> The letter was so great a favourite with the Queen that, when she had her portrait painted for the City of London, she desired Mr Lonsdale, the artist, to represent her with this document in her hand. . .

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT WILLIS,
Bunbury, Lower Shiplake,
Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

Little-known phrases

From Mrs Cynthia Henning.

Sir, Browsing through my bookshelves my son's attention was drawn to the *Zulu Vocabulary and Phrase Book for Use of Immigrants and Settlers in the Province of Natal and Zululand* in which he found this splendid phrase: "Some boys think that they ought to have more money because they have been a certain time at work, although they are just as awkward and stupid as when they first came after all the teaching they have had".

Yours faithfully,
CYNTHIA HENNING,
Sunnyside, Elie, Fife.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE

August 21: Mrs John Dugdale has succeeded Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

The Princess of Wales will launch HMS Cornwall at Yarrow Shipbuilders, Scotstoun, Glasgow, on October 14.

Princess Anne will present the Leicestershire Midas Business Awards in Leicester; as honorary president, British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, she will visit Corah of Leicester and, as president of the Save the Children Fund, will attend a children's event at Manor High School, Oadby, Leicestershire, and a civic reception at the Lord Mayor's Rooms, Leicester, on October 15.

Princess Anne will attend the Horse of the Year Ball at the Hilton hotel on October 16.

The Princess of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Hampshire Regiment, will visit the First Battalion in Berlin on October 18 and 19.

The Duchess of Gloucester will open an extension to the Spastics Society's Scalesceugh Hall, Carlisle and visit Stead McAlpine on the occasion of its 150th anniversary on October 16. She will later visit Rose Lodge Old People's Home, Penrith.

Princess Alexandra will open the Veterinary Investigation Laboratory of the North of Scotland College of Agriculture at Drummondhill, Inverness, on October 4.

Forthcoming marriages

Mrs H. G. Kingsley and Miss C. Palmer

The engagement is announced between Hughe Gerald, eldest son of Sir Patrick and Lady Kingsley, of West Knoyle, Wiltshire, and Carol, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs L. J. Palmer, of Shaftesbury, Dorset.

Mr C. B. Clasen and Miss T. Gabilondo-Maruri

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of the late A. J. Clasen, GCVO, and of Mrs J. M. Clasen, and Teresa, eldest daughter of Don José Gabilondo-Maruri and the late Berta Gabilondo-Maruri, of Victoria, in the province of Alava, Spain. The marriage will take place in Spain on September 7.

Mr M. H. Hatcher and Miss E. P. Owen

The engagement is announced between Martin Howard, son of the late Mr Denis Hatcher and of Mrs Dora Hatcher, of St Peter Port, Guernsey, and Elizabeth Patricia, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs John Owen of Colchester, Essex.

Mr J. H. Moir and Miss F. E. Philby

The engagement is announced between John, elder son of the late Dr J. H. Moir and the late Mrs P. R. Moir, of Worplesdon, Surrey, and Fiona, eldest daughter of the late Commander F. M. Philby and of Mrs S. M. Philby, of Petersfield, Hampshire.

Mr P. W. Robinson and Miss C. H. Emery

The engagement is announced between Paul William, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. J. Robinson, of Up Hatherley, Cheltenham, and Caroline Heather, daughter of Dr and Mrs D. G. Emery, of Buckland House, Buckland, Worcestershire.

Mr M. G. O. Venables and Miss S-J Kemp

The engagement is announced between Mark, second son of Mr and Mrs R. W. O. Venables, of Combe Hay, Bath, and Sarah-Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. Kemp, of Chelsea, London.

Mr N. G. S. Elton and Miss V. E. Farrow

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs Paul Elton, of St John's Wood, London, and Victoria Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr Douglas Farrow, of Wickam, Berkshire, and Mrs Belle Alexander, of Fulham, London.

Mr A. P. King and Miss R. L. Hill

The engagement is announced between Andrew Peter, twin son of Mr Ralph King, of Derry Downs, Orpington, Kent, and Mrs Betty Milton, of Sonning Common, Oxfordshire, and Rachel Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Hill, of Burnham Market, Norfolk, and Queen Anne Street, London.

Mr R. C. O'Hare and Miss A. D. Doyne-Ditmas

The engagement is announced between Richard, youngest son of Colonel and Mrs Donald O'Hare, of Middle Winterslow, Wiltshire, and Annette, youngest daughter of the late Major Philip Doyne-Ditmas and of Mrs Doyne-Ditmas, of Marlborough, Wiltshire.

Mr K. J. Phillips and Mrs E. S. Musson

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Kevin John, eldest son of Ron and Kay Phillips, of Hadlow Down, Sussex, and Elaine Susan, younger daughter of Derick and Thelma Pyke of Northampton.

Marriage

Mr A. C. Keate and Miss N. S. Plugge

The marriage took place on Saturday, August 17, at St Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe, Blackfriars, between Mr Angus Keate, younger son of Captain and Mrs Harry Keate, of Kilmelford, Argyllshire, and Miss Nicola Plugge, younger daughter of Captain Roland Plugge, of Little Bookham, Surrey, and Mrs Peter Liddell, of London, SE11. The Reverend Basil Watson, RN, (retd), officiated. Mr Peter Farquhar was the best man.

A reception was held in HMS President and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Birthdays today

Dame Geraldine Aves, 87; Mr Marc Bohan, 59; Lady (Edgar) Bonham-Carter, 92; Professor Sir Colin Buchanan, 78; Dr Rob Buckman, 37; Major-General Earl Cathcart, 66; Sir Richard Catling, 73; Professor Sir Cyril Astley Clarke, 78; Mr Steve Davis, 28; Mr Somerset de Chair, 74; Miss Margaret Douglas, 51; Mr Max Hebditch, 48; Mr Gerald Long, 62; Mr Donald MacLeary, 48; Sir James Menter, 64; Sir Anthony Tuke, 65.

Latest appointments

Lord Ross to be Lord Justice Clerk in succession to Lord Wheatley, who is retiring in September.

To be members of the Greater Manchester Residuary Body under the chairmanship of **Mr Peter Hadfield: Mr Kenneth Alford, Mr Brian Scholes, Mr Clifford Singleton, Mr Robert Willan.**

Princess is aunt again

The Princess of Wales has become an aunt again after the birth of a daughter to her elder sister, Lady Jane Fellowes. The Princess was among the first visitors on Tuesday to the Lindo wing of St Mary's Hospital, Paddington.

The baby is Lady Jane's third child and her second daughter. She is married to Mr Robin Fellowes, aged 42, the Queen's assistant private secretary. The Princess is returning to Balmoral Castle before the weekend to rejoin the Prince.

Bust of singer for church

A marble bust of Alfred Piccaver, the singer, is to go on permanent display in the parish church at Long Sutton, Lincolnshire, where he was born 100 years ago.

The international tenor died in 1958 after singing for 30 years with the Vienna State Opera. The bust, a replica of one in Vienna, has been given to the town by his family.

The bust of the 4th Earl of Chesterfield by Louis François Roubiliac which has been acquired by the National Portrait Gallery.

Marble saved for nation

An "extremely important" eighteenth century marble bust of the fourth Earl of Chesterfield, sold at Christie's earlier this year for more than £500,000, has been acquired by the National Portrait Gallery, it was announced yesterday.

The gallery was the underbidder at the Christie's sale in London in April, when the bust went to an unnamed overseas buyer for £524,000, including premium. It was a record auction price for a portrait bust.

An export licence was suspended by Lord Gowrie, the Minister for the Arts, and the gallery was given four months to raise the money to acquire the work.

The gallery announced yesterday that "most generous contributions" from the National Heritage Memorial Fund, the National Art Collections Fund and the Pilgrim Trust had enabled it to buy the bust. It will be put on display at the gallery tomorrow.

"The acquisition is one of the most important made by the gallery in the past decade", a gallery official said.

The bust is among the finest by Roubiliac, the sculptor working in England in the eighteenth century. Lord Chesterfield is best known for his celebrated letters to his son. He was a patron of literature and a caustic opponent of Walpole.

Souvenir of Burghley

Princess Anne will be among 24 past winners of the Burghley three-day event at Stamford, Lincolnshire, to receive a souvenir to mark the silver jubilee of the championships next month. She was individual gold medallist in 1971

Other winners include her husband, Captain Mark Phillips, Richard Meade, Lucinda Green and Virginia Holgate. They will receive engraved jubilee tumblers at the anniversary event, from September 5 to 8.

Latest wills

Mr Frederik Anthonie **De Graaff**, of Sunbury on Thames, left estate valued at £136,494 net. He left all of his property equally between the Boy Scout Association, the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.

Lady Katharine **Seymour**, Chichester, Woman of the Bedchamber to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother from 1937 to 1960, left £153,386 net.

Mr Wilfrid David Drysdale **Fenton**, of Westminister, deputy chairman of the Central Electricity Generating Board, 1972-75, left £242,388 net.

Other estates include (net, before Tax paid):

Brockbank, Miss Helen Mary, of Ash Vale, Surrey	£291,411
Cliffe, Mr Alfred, of Kings Bromley, Staffordshire	£500,579
Gorringe, Ruth, of Bognor Regis	£257,720
Kenny, Mr David Ernest, of Pevensey Bay	£238,684
Maughan, Mrs Margaret Elizabeth, of Buntingford, Hertfordshire	£247,798
Ross, Mr Archibald Denison, of Twickenham	£278,397
Rothschild, Mrs Clare, of Camden, London	£235,697
Saltoun, Dorothy Geraldine, Dowager Lady, of Twickenham	£245,878
Summers, Mr Cyril Ernest, of Okehampton	£298,129
Taylor, Mr Charles Bernard Walton, of Ashbourne, Derbyshire, dental surgeon	£312,037
Filmer, Mr William Edmund, of Croydon	£524,458
Higgs, Mr Stewart Llewellyn, of Bromley	£306,961
Jennings, Mr James Thomas Henry, of Potton, Bedfordshire	£243,520
Legge, Mr Joseph, of Salisbury, solicitor	£473,435
Thomas, Mr Philip Bernard, of West Ella, North Humberside, solicitor	£205,415
Waltham, Mr Joseph of Holbeach, Lincolnshire	£386,490
Kelsey, Mr David John, of Hove	£299,835
Loveday, Mr Charles Harold Seymour, of Bickley, Kent	£341,041

Computer aid to trace Norman ancestors

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

The Domesday Book's abbreviated Latin has been translated into symbols on a computer at Hull University, so that it can be more accessible to the public.

The project could help people trace their ancestry back to Norman times, Miss Virginia Davis, of the department of history, said.

That might be done using analysis made possible by the computer with later information about land inheritance.

As part of the celebrations of the 900th anniversary next year of the making of the Domesday Book, an exhibition will enable people to use terminals to find out from the computer records details of their parish.

The kind of information likely to be available as a result of Hull's work is who lived in the local area, what taxes were paid, whether there were mills for grinding corn, or vineyards. Grapes grew in the south of England until the climate became colder.

The Hull programme is intended to give a clearer idea of the pattern of Norman settlement. Tenants-in-chief, who held land from the Crown have been identified. But they had their own sub-tenants and these are the people the Hull project is seeking to identify.

Miss Davies said that usually only Christian names were included in the Domesday Book and that made the task of identification more difficult.

The transltion of the Latin text of the Domesday Book into symbols was done last year by a group of young typists under a Manpower Services scheme. Miss Davis said that more than a million words were involved.

The Public Record Office is to play a central part in commemorating the 900th anniversary. A book is to be published on the official and private use and the reputation of Domesday down the centuries.

The office's annual report yesterday said that work began during the year on the dismantling and conservation of the larger volume of the Domesday Book. Both volumes are to be conserved, photographed for a facsimile edition and rebound, before becoming the centre piece of the exhibition.

The office's publications include a third edition of *Tracing Your Ancestors*. Mr Michael Roper, deputy keeper of Public Records, said that increasing use of them is being made by genealogists.

The Report speaks of severe interruption to the public services of the office. This was caused by extensive works in the Chancery Lane building and by the shorter but more serious effects of difficulties in the air-conditioning system at Kew, which closed the buildings there for 11 weeks.

In 1984, more than 106,000 visits were made to the reading rooms by members of the public, almost 7 per cent below the 1983 figure. Kew attendances were down by 15 per cent.

The Twenty-Sixth Annual Report of the Keeper of Public Records on the work of the Public Record Office and the Twenty-Sixth Report of the Advisory Council on the Public Records 1984, Stationery Office, £5.40.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as patron of the Asthma Research Council, will visit the Asthma Society's gift fair at the Hurlingham Club on October 17. In the afternoon she will open a new centre for the Newcastle upon Tyne Council for the Disabled, and will visit Grainger Market on the occasion of its 150th anniversary and Newcastle airport on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary.

OBITUARY

DR JOZEF CZULAK

Innovations in dairy technology

Dr Jozef Czulak, who died at Mount Eliza, Victoria, Australia, on August 5, was an agricultural scientist who had made notable contributions to dairy technology particularly in cheese, a field in which his innovations had gained him a world-wide reputation.

Jozef Karol Czulak was born at Miedzybroozie, Poland in 1915. On leaving Cavalry College in 1939 he was wounded at the battle of Mokra where he won the Polish Cross of Valour.

Escaping the Germans he made his way across Europe to Britain, where he worked in Polish Intelligence as Deputy Chief of Logistics until the Normandy invasion where he was a tank commander and again won the Polish Cross of Valour at Falaise.

In 1945 he obtained British nationality and entered Reading University where he took an Agricultural Science degree and a post graduate diploma in Bacteriology. After a short spell with United Dairies he joined the dairy research section of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization in Melbourne in 1951, where he rose to become Chief Research Scientist.

Within two years of his arrival he had solved problems the industry was experiencing with bacteria and virus infection in cheese starters for which he was awarded a Silver Medal by the Australian Society for Dairy Technology.

His most important contribution to world dairy technology was when he conceived the idea of mechanizing the entire process of cheesemaking, and together with a team of CSIRO engineers he built the first commercial cheesemaking machine.

In 1962 Czulak was invited to India under the Colombo Plan in an attempt to solve the problems of producing cheese from buffalo milk. Previous teams of experts had only produced cheese of a dry and tasteless nature. His theory that the high calcium content of the milk was the main contributory factor proved to be correct, and within five months, alone apart from his Indian colleagues and helpers, he had produced Gouda and Cheddar cheese of excellent quality thus giving India a £3m a year industry.

For this breakthrough he was awarded a Doctorate in Science by the University of Sadar Patel in 1973.

He was also a Fellow of the Institute of Biology in this country. In 1960 he was awarded the Gold Medal of the Australian Society for Dairy Technology and in 1981 he received the Miles International Honor Award in the USA.

Earlier this year he patented his process for whey protein recovery through ultra-filtration which he developed with the French. Despite poor health he had just begun a project to produce cheese by this method when he died.

He retained his early love of Latin and Greek and was widely read, with an extensive knowledge of world history and a continuing interest in music and poetry.

He was a man of ideas and energy with immense personal charisma. He was known to have little time for fools – especially those at the top – but for the less fortunate or those struggling for recognition he gave his time and help unstintingly.

SANT HARCHAND SINGH LONGOWAL

Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, who died, aged 57, in hospital in the Punjab on August 20 after being shot by Sikh extremists, had been President of the Sikh party, Akali Dal, since 1980. A moderate, he had recently reached a settlement with the Indian government which, though it involved important concessions to the Sikhs, had at the same time enraged the more militant wing of the Sikh party.

Born in 1928 in the village, Longowal, from which he took his name, he joined the Akali Dal party at 16 and during the peaceful protests of the 1950s and 1960s he was arrested several times. Throughout his life he identified himself with the non violent civil disobedience philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi.

In 1964 he became president of the party branch in his home district and in 1980 emerged as a compromise candidate for the presidency of Akali Dal against more militant rivals. In 1982 under his leadership the party began a civil disobedience campaign calling for greater autonomy for the Punjab and the declaration of Amritsar as a holy city.

Longowal's non violent approach to the campaign was however sorely tested by the entry of the militant cleric, Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale into the disobedience movement and the terrorism that followed – which even included the shooting of moderate Sikhs by Bhindranwale's supporters – led to government retaliaton.

Longowal's difficulties with the militants were increased by the fact that Bhindranwale acquired the status of a martyr after his death during the storming of the Golden Temple at Amritsar in 1984. Longowal's own surrender to the Indian government troops on that occasion was bitterly resented by more hardline Sikhs.

Longowal was jailed and on his release had last month negotiated and signed a Memorandum of Settlement with the Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi which appeared to have conceded the bulk of Akali Dal's demands, notably those concerning the status of the city of Chandigarh and the sharing of river waters between the Punjab and neighbouring Hindu states. However it had been denounced as a "sell out" by followers still loyal to the dead Bhindranwale.

Longowal was unmarried.

MAJ-GEN C. L. FIRBANK

Major-General Cecil Llewellyn Firbank CB, CBE, DSO., died on August 19 at the age of 82.

He was born on March 18, 1903 and educated at Cheltenham College and RMC Sandhurst. He was gazetted to the 1st Somerset Light Infantry in 1924 and from 1929 to 1934 was seconded to the Royal West Africa Frontier Force.

He served with distinction in the Second World War, initially with his own regiment and later with the 2nd Lincolns whom he commanded. In 1945-46 he commanded 71 Infantry Brigade. He won a DSO while serving in North West Europe in 1944 added a Bar to it a year later.

After attending the Staff College in 1947-48 he was appointed Commandant of the School of Infantry at Warminster. From 1955 to 1958 he was director of Infantry at the War Office. He retired in 1959.

From 1958 to 1962 he was Colonel Commandant of the Aden Protectorate Levies and from 1963 to 1968 Colonel of his old regiment. He was Director Civil Defence for Wales from 1960 to 1965. In 1959 he was made a Deputy Lieutenant for Somerset.

He married in 1934 Audrey Hobhouse. They had one son. The marriage was dissolved in 1952 and he then married Marye Brenda Fleetwood-Wilson.

SIR ROBERT PAYNE

Sir Robert Payne, who died on August 18, at the age of 77, was president of the Law Society in 1969-70.

Robert Frederick Payne, the son of Frederick Charles Payne, was born on January 22, 1908, and educated at Hymers College, Hull, and was admitted a solicitor in 1931. He served in the RAF in the Second World War and reached the rank of squadron leader while with the 2nd Tactical Air Force. He was principal of the firm of Payne and Payne, Hull.

He was chairman of the committee of inquiry into Whittingham Hospital in 1971-72 and in the same year was appointed a member of the Home Office Committee on Liquor Licensing. In 1959 he became a founder member of the British Academy of Forensic Sciences. He was Sheriff of Kingston-upon-Hull in 1957 He was knighted in 1970.

He was twice married: first to Alice Marguerite, daughter of W. S. Cussons by whom he had a son and a daughter. He married secondly in 1951 Maureen Ruth, daughter of W. C. Walsh. Of this marriage there was one son.

MRS E. K. WADE

A correspondent writes:

The death has occurred of Mrs Eileen Wade, of Bentley, Hampshire and Shrivenham, at the age of 93. Mrs Wade was, from 1914 to 1941, private secretary to Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the worldwide Scout and Guide movements.

During the war she ran the Scouts International Bureau in London, and then served the World Chief Guide, Olave Lady Baden-Powell, until 1975.

Because of her unique involvement with the development of Scouting and Guiding, she published many books on the subject, including *27 Years with Baden-Powell* and *The World Chief Guide*. She was also a regular contributor of poetry to *The Field*, and was actively involved in Oxfordshire Scouting and Guiding until this year.

Lady Twiss, widow of Sir William Twiss, KCIE, CB, CBE, MC, sometime GOC Army in Burma, died on August 17 at the age of 93. She was Isabel Vivian, daughter of T. C. Drake, and she married Sir William Twiss as his second wife in 1932. He died in 1962.

M **Henri Flammarion**, the well-known French publisher, died in Paris on August 20. He was 75. He was 23 when he joined the firm founded by his grandfather in 1876, and built it up to publish 1,000 titles annually. In 1958 he founded the popular *J'ai lu* paperback edition and in 1959 opened a large branch in Montreal.

Science report

How to drive lapwings from airfields

By Stephen Young

Collisions between birds and aircraft are both expensive and dangerous. Only last month, for example, two engines of a jumbo jet were disabled by flying birds at Christchurch, New Zealand.

In Britain, where bird strikes have caused fatalities, the black-headed gull is the chief culprit, with the lapwing coming a close second.

But whereas gulls can be controlled by a combination bird-scaring methods and careful positioning of rubbish dumps and reservoirs, lapwings are less easily thwarted. However, scientists are now adopting a new approach, based firmly on the birds' ecology, to drive lapwings from the runways.

Is there something about airfields that lapwings find particularly attractive? If so, could the airport habitat be modified to deter avian intruders? T.P. Milsom, R.S. Holditch and J.B.A.Rochard set out to find some answers on behalf of the Ministry of Defence and the Civil Aviation Authority.

The scientists, who are based at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food station at Worplesdon, Guildford, studied the lapwings resident at an airfield near Lasham, Hampshire. Their survey ran from July of one year to March of the next, so as to coincide with the period outside the birds' breeding season.

Lasham airfield is used only occasionally by jet aircraft, but often plays host to light aircraft and gliders. It features a number of habitats ranging from grass swards of various heights to tarmac surfaces and broken concrete and is surrounded by arable farmland.

The scientists counted the number of lapwings on each type of habitat at regular intervals and found that the birds congregated on the airfield much more than would have been expected if their choice of sites had been made at random.

In particular, they were attracted to areas of grass that were kept short by frequent mowing, but they also had a liking for the broken concrete surfaces of disused runways, which they took over as rest areas.

A tendency to avoid areas with rank vegetation was also apparent when the lapwings visited surrounding farmland. They were drawn to sites that had just been ploughed, or to areas with stubble or new crops, in preference to fields with older, taller crops.

But short vegetation is not the only feature that lapwings find attractive. They also prefer sites with more open boundaries. Presumably, a preference for areas affording a wide view of the surrounding landscape reflects the need to keep a wary eye open for predators.

With their tidy, manicured turfs and open aspects, airfields emerge as highly desirable residences for lapwings. So the team offers a simple prescription for control of the species at airports: the cultivation of longer grass. If combined with sustained attempts at bird-scaring, that ruse should induce many lapwings to settle elsewhere.

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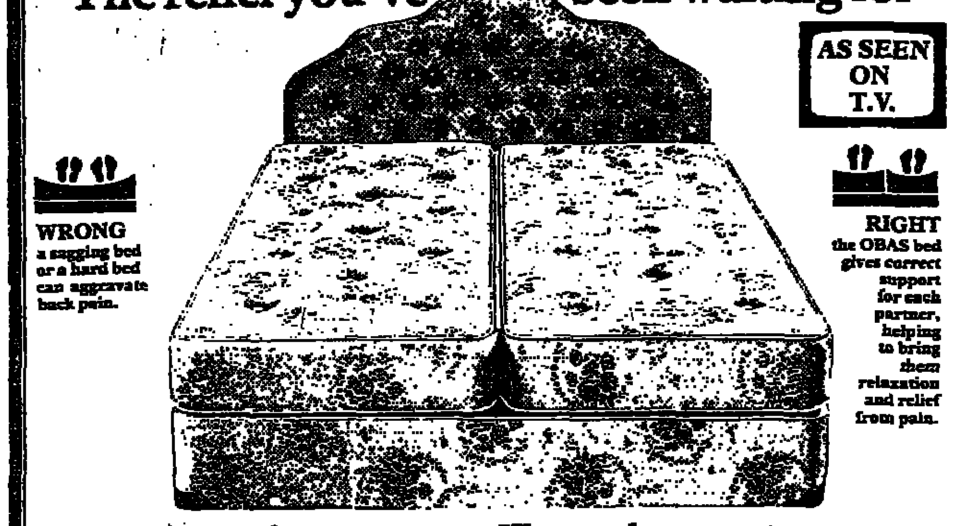

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Edinburgh

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Birmingham

Grants

Medical Research Council: £64,345 to Dr P P Robinson for research on the [illegible] Professor E D R Shearman for research on radar measurement of ocean waves. **Medical Research Council:** £475,976 to Dr R H Michell and Dr C J Kirk for investigation of the role of inositol lipids in receptor-controlled signalling processes. **Department of the Environment:** £145,142 to Mr A D Thomas for a research study of houses in multiple occupation.

Designers honour Mrs Thatcher

Mrs Margaret Thatcher was honoured by the world's designers at a congress in Washington yesterday.

An award for the British Government's support for design was made by the International Council of Societies of Industrial Design.

The Council paid tribute to the Prime Minister for identifying design as crucial to the Government's industrial policy and for arranging a conference of designers and business leaders at 10 Downing Street.

It added: "Mrs Thatcher's initiative has given birth to a wide range of new activities in Britain. Her Government has established a new programme to include design education in the school system. It has financially supported the introduction of design awareness modules in business schools."

The British Government had provided incentives for manufacturers to use design consultants and had made design a central force in its industrial policy.

The award was received in Washington by Mr John Butcher, Under-Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, who said: "Only successful economies are capable of enhancing the quality of life. That is why the British Government regards design as a dominant factor in improving the lives of our people. That is why we have a policy for design".

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THE ARTS

Opera: **Paul Griffiths** at Salzburg

Henze's fantastic dream of Monteverdi

Il ritorno d'Ulisse in patria
Felsenreitschule

Carmen
Grosses Festspielhaus

Monteverdi's penultimate opera must surely have no parallel in taking a single moment and exploding it over three hours. For, despite all the sub-plots and divine interventions, it is consistently sighted on what happens when a traveller returns: with the stiffness, surprise and uncertainty that flicker through the minds of the reunited before normal life can be resumed. Things are different when you come back to them – and operas too, if not normally quite so startlingly different as when Il ritorno d'Ulisse in patria comes boggling the consciousness at Salzburg, in a version where the bare engraving of the text has been splodged with colour by Hans Werner Henze.

Henze's score is of course riotously inappropriate, requiring symphonic wind, only low strings, piano, harp, guitars, banjo, accordion and a glittering, booming swirl of percussion. All this he has sought to justify by referring to the variegated orchestral resources he supposes to have been available at the San Cassiano theatre in 1641, but that must be one of his jokes. It is also hard to keep a straight face when he explains that he has omitted violins because they would lend too much "opulence" to the proceedings.

Much nearer the mark is his description of his score as "a personal dream" of the original. It is Monteverdi seen through deep water, through water which reflects at every moment the full-blooded musical personality of the arranger.

The harmony, he insists, is unchanged, but this again is a curious statement to make when most of the score survives only as a vocal line with a bass. The least that can be said is that Henze's solutions are not always the most obvious, and there are many instances where he uses the opportunity to fill in with new melodic lines: there are plangent viola d'amore solos to accompany Penelope, for example, and places where Monteverdi comes to share Henze's taste for Caribbean dance rhythms.

Still, the greatest displacement is that of colouring. To some extent the flamboyant ensemble is thinned down to distinguish characters: Ulysses has a solid Brahmsian accompaniment of clarinets, *horns and cellos, the suitors* have a strident orchestra lacking a middle register, Minerva has an ensemble bright with high tuned percussion. But the plucked strings are rarely quiet for long, and subtleties have to be sought out within an atmosphere of outrageous excess. I can imagine other dreams of Monteverdi that might be more interesting, but certainly none more lusty.

The task of dealing with this monster has fallen to two sweet souls who cope admirably. Jeffrey Tate, conducting in Salzburg for the first time, will have to return himself for his gifts to be fully revealed, and preferably when he faces an orchestra more reliable than the Austrian Radio Symphony. Michael Hampe, producing, takes advantage of the width and arcading of the Felsenreitschule to present a magnificent baroque spectacle, set by Mauro Pagano within a great orrery and stridden by gods and princes in heavy antique costume. The trappings are heroic, and some aspects of the production are suitably rhetorical: Minerva flying through the air in her cloud chariot, Neptune rising from the waves, the suitors posturing and pressing their case with strong formal gestures.

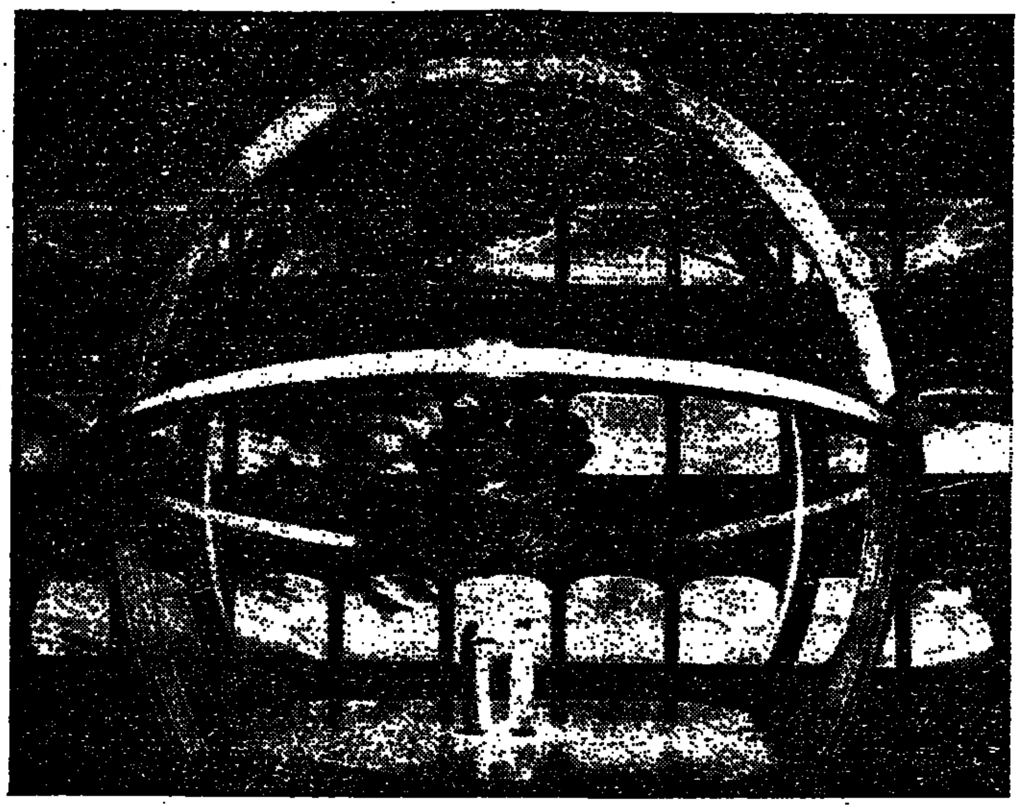
But for the central couple the style is simpler, one of intimate dignity, flowering at the end when they are left alone on a stage now illuminated by dawn: the homecoming has at last been accepted. Thomas Allen's voice at this point aptly begins to float free from the vigour and even urgency with which he has been singing, though his performance throughout never falls from nobility. Kathleen Kuhlmann sounds as if the part of Penelope lies a little low for her, and yet the resulting soft darkness of tone is not at all inappropriate, nor is her restraint.

The supporting cast is excellent. Robert Tear enjoys the *honeyed lyricism available to* him as the shepherd Eumaeus, and Alejandro Ramirez wastes no time in showing off his youthful flame of tenor as Telemachus. From Daphne Evangelatos as Melanto there is a nice intimation of the weakness and emotional volubility from which Penelope holds herself aloof, while the suitors are forcefully individualized by Harald Stamm, Josef Protschka and Douglas Ahlstedt. Festival casting gives us Martha Szirmay as a warm Ericlea and James King as a Jove whose music sometimes recalls Siegmund's, given this voice, and indeed this scoring. Ann Murray, patently not well, had to sing most of Minerva's music from offstage at the performance I saw, but nothing had dimmed her ability to make a splendid show of brightness and agility in the high register, not least in some of Henze's naughtier ornamentation.

If this edition will remain a rather eccentric way to enjoy the piece, the same may be said of the Karajan production of Carmen, reviewed by John Higgins from its unveiling at the Easter Festival. Having the more recent memory of the Glyndebourne production in one's eyes and ears, it is perhaps harder to accept the inflated orchestra, the relative faintness with which life stirs across the vast width of the Grosses Festspielhaus, the grotesque intrusion of a flamanco troupe into the second act, and the impossibility of getting Bizet's quicker ensembles across this enormous space.

Even judged on its own terms, though, the performance I heard was poor. Ensemble between stage and orchestra was extraordinarily undependable for a Karajan performance, and there were problems among the cast. José van Dam makes little of Escamillo these days, nor does José Carreras sound happy as Don José. Karajan does not make it easy for him by giving the Flower Song the tempo and style of a Mahler adagietto, but he sounds more stretched than he ought, and it is only in the last act, when passion may be allowed to count for more than tonal beauty, that he comes into his own. Janet Perry, too, has difficulties as Micaëla.

There is thus very little in the orchestra, in the production or in the company, to counterbalance Agnes Baltsa's Carmen, which by its boldness, fierce pride and total seizure of the music risks seeming overdone in these unexciting surroundings. There is, very sadly, simply no need for her to be so good.



Ulisse: the final love-scene within Mauro Pagano's great orrery, and Thomas Allen in the title role.

Television

Musical therapy

There were times, said Corporal Terry Coleman, when a band was playing and all 45 members were playing well, when you had a certain feeling in the stomach and even the hairs rose on the back of the neck. He was recalling the atmosphere at the first public performance of the RAF band in Germany just over two months after the coach crash in which 19 of its members had been burned to *death.*

The concert was in aid of the relatives of the dead and the band was once more up to strength, replacements blowing away alongside survivors. BBC1's **Real Lives** followed the fortunes of the band after that horrific crash on February 11, and last night's *And the Band Plays On* was not only a poignant reminder of the consternation of people visited by an unpredictable disaster but also of the particular fellowship of the military band.

Cpl Coleman sustained burns in the crash himself, and described the ball of flame from the aviation fuel tanker that rolled towards him as he scrambled to escape. Like many of the other bandsmen, or musicians as they would prefer to be known, he had suffered guilt: "Did I stop anybody el getting out? I've got to live wi that and hopefully get over it."

It was strange, he sai playing with new peopl stranger still, one imagined, the first rehearsal after the cras when the depleted band tried achieve some sort of music balance. Cpl Coleman himse having lost his clarinet in tl inferno, had to play tl instrument of a dead comrade.

New uniforms, meant for tl men who died, arrived and tl survivors tried them on for si and adjustment. Then there wa the first coach trip and tl understandable apprehensio Most of the casualties of tl crash had been at the fron Drum-Major Dave Thompso the senior survivor, set tl example on the first trip b resuming his front seat positio

They all agreed that blowir again was therapeutic even if would not erase the memory the horror and the loss of the comrades. Under their ne Director of Music, Squadro Leader Rob Wilkinson, whos wife thought his post require "a combination of Andr Previn, Lew Grade and th Archbishop of Canterbury" they seemed to be blowing well

Dennis Hacket

Edinburgh Festival theatre

Unwieldy pageant

The Wallace
Assembly Hall

Having so improved their production of *The Thrie Estaites* last week, presenting it as a pageant with vigour, force and great success, it is a shame that the same success has eluded the Scottish Theatre Company in their production of *The Wallace.*

They have saddled themselves with something of an impediment to begin with, for in one sense it seems ill-advised to present two plays that require a certain degree of pageantry in production. *The Wallace*, written by Sydney Goodsir Smith and first performed in 1960, is not a particularly good play. It tells the story of William Wallace, the thirteenth-century outlaw who defied Edward I and was eventually captured and put to death by him.

While there is a great deal of ambivalence about the two characters and the position of compromise in which they find themselves, and while some psychological detail is introduced, for the most part the play is moved by the broad sweep of anger and sadness both at the fate of Scotland and that of Wallace and at the confusion of liberty and war.

Tom Fleming justifiably mounts his production with pageant-like scope, again introducing stirring music by John Grundy and a simple but effective set by Nadine Bayliss which uses metal walkways against a grey backdrop that echo and clatter to suggest the urgency of steel upon steel. But the cast are dispersed aroun this less than effectively, th pace is slow and the whole thin becomes unwieldy.

At the centre of it all William Wallace, portrayed b Goodsir Smith with bot sympathy and exasperation as man whose fierce pride an love of his abused country fi him on but also make th personality that ultimate brings his own downfall. Al Heggie catches admirably th mixture of humour, spirit an pride and gives a great deal strength to the performance, bu he traps himself into a snarlir delivery that limits his range expression considerably.

Leonard Maguire as Edward also gives an ambivalent pe formance as a man both har and yet prepared to offer son leeway, and this aspect of tl tragedy does emerge with son force. At the end the two me are within a hair's breadth reconciliation, a reconciliatic which the rest of the play ha made plain could never occur.

But, while there are mar threads woven into the pla there is also a great deal that over-written and many them are under-developed (Wallace psychological motivation for h state of mind is really onl thinly sketched) and this pro duction falls foul of its tendenc to overstatement.

The music is stirring and th costumes are fine, but, despi occasional glimpses of goo humour and invention, th production as a whole laboured and often melodran atic.

Sarah Hemmin

Concerts

Ulster Orchestra/ Thomson
Albert Hall/Radio 3

The Ulster Orchestra, making their first appearance at a Prom, lost no time in impressing us with a nice account of Nielsen's *Helios* Overture; the general brightness and clarity was very like the kind of sound I remember Bryden Thomson regularly obtaining from the Scottish National Orchestra a few years back.

This freshness of sonority turned out to be a useful asset in the first performance of Malcolm Williamson's song-cycle *Next Year in Jerusalem,* some settings of Jorge Luis Borges which here sounded less lavishly scored than they actually were; Heather Harper sang the soprano part with her usual skill and authority. Borges's words and Williamson's music both show a strong identification with the modern state of Israel; this sense of embattled affirmation did indeed come across. The stylistic gestures and general approach to tonality may be conventional enough, but Williamson demands respect for his desire to communicate such issues as directly as possible. The audience responded warmly.

Liszt's Second Piano Concerto began the second half. Even Barry Douglas's intensely idiomatic approach to the solo part – commanding, unaffected, and with some beautiful iridescent tone in the quieter moments – was unable to compensate for the rambling *construction and weird scoring* of this thoroughly sub-standard piece, whose hold on the repertory remains a mystery. Not exactly one of the composer's best works.

Sibelius's Third Symphony, however, is very definitely one of *his* best works, being full of ideas which are marvellous vehicles for cellular growth as well as most beautiful in themselves. It is also none too easy to play, demanding – and on this occasion consistently receiving – excellent playing from each section of the orchestra: cellos and violas quite outstanding throughout, lovely cool woodwind in the Andantino second movement, and restrained but heroic brass at the climaxes.

But above all this was 30 minutes of music-making which reminded us that Thomson is quite one of the best conductors in these islands: the tempo for the Andantino was wonderfully poised, and *Thomson handled* the difficult trajectory of the Scherzo-cum-Finale third movement with unerring sureness. This performance was a memorable experience, one of the very best things in this year's Proms to date.

Malcolm Hayes

Medici Quartet
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Boccherini's *Fandango* has no rivals except perhaps Ravel's *Bolero* when it comes to the numbing repetition of an insidiously catchy refrain. In the pop business they would call it the hook. One hears Boccherini's hook a hundred times for real, then a hundred times more going round one's head during the concert interval.

Yet one was grateful for the *Fandango,* appearing as the finale of Boccherini's Guitar Quintet No 4, because it seemed to rouse John Williams and the Medici String Quartet to produce something like the imaginative playing of which they are capable. Williams began to generate a Spanish sort of heat in the centre of the texture, with artfully varied pickings and flamenco-style drummed chords (plus a few gypsy-like knocks on the guitar's wood). The violins responded with some properly raw tone on their scorching embellishments, and the cellist added his insouciant downward glissandi with a delightful light touch.

It had not been as good as that throughout. Anthony Lewis had a brave and mostly successful stab at the dauntingly high-lying cello line which Boccherini (himself a master cellist) wrote for his own amusement in this quintet's second movement. But the problems of balance and blend between the guitar and the other four instrument were never satisfactorily solved.

The guitar's rather strong amplification might have symbolized Williams's status as this year's South Bank Summer Music director, but in musical *terms it served only to* emphasize some fairly inconsequential details and to reinforce the disturbing impression that Williams's instrument was tuned slightly sharp of the strings.

Two other quintets, this time with the viola player Michael Cookson joining the Medicis, framed the Boccherini. Mozart's C major Quintet, K515, suffered, particularly in the minuet's chromatic passages, from a heavy, unvaried legato that seemed a little graceless. There were other minor flaws as well: Ivo-Jan van der Werff played the first viola's celebrated solo in the Andante so strongly, only to make an apprentice's error on a simple pick-up, and the leader Paul Robertson sometimes wanted to push the finale's tempo fractionally faster than his colleagues were prepared to go.

In the G minor Quintet, K516, however, the players rose to the heights of eloquence this music demands. The muted sonority of the first Adagio was especially impressive; the grief-laden accents were present, but tempered with delicacy and a sense of unhurried spaciousness.

Richard Morrison

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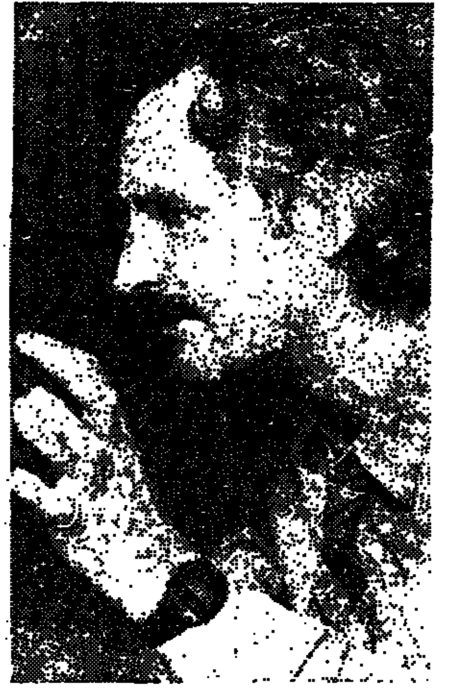

Aunt Dan and Lemon, which begins previews tonight, is yet another strand in the Royal Court's American lifeline, as the theatre's director, **Max Stafford-Clark** (above), explains to Sheridan Morley

Transatlantic tributes

Edinburgh this summer does not have its usual monopoly of theatrical visitors from overseas: in London the LIFT Festival is now being speedily followed by the arrival of John Houseman's Acting Company at the Old Vic and an exchange season at the Royal Court from which one all-American and one half-American cast from Joe Papp's Public Theater in New York will occupy both the Sloane Square stages until the beginning of October in two new American dramas. One of these, *Tracers* at the Theatre Upstairs, is the Vietnam Veterans' play which has just come from off-Broadway; the other, *Aunt Dan and Lemon* (starring the Oscar-winner Linda Hunt), opens on the main stage next Tuesday and then moves across the Atlantic to the Public in late October.

There is of course nothing new about the Court going Public: the exchange scheme was first devised in 1982, though since then it has been Papp who seems to have had the better of the bargain. The three productions that Max Stafford-Clark, the Court's resident director, has taken him from here have been Caryl Churchill's *Top Girls,* Michael Hastings's *Tom and Viv* and Ron Hutchinson's *Rat in the Skull,* while all we have thus far had in return has been Thomas Babe's deeply lacklustre newsroom drama *Buried Inside Extra.* Now however, in Stafford-Clark's view, the balance is being remedied:

"One or two critics may not have cared for *Tracers,* but the majority of the reviews have been very enthusiastic and there's no doubt that a group of Americans working upstairs have brought a kind of buzz to the building which we don't normally get. And now on the main stage we have the new Wally Shawn, which he has written specifically for an Anglo-American company and which I find very exciting indeed."

Shawn is probably best known over here as the writer and star of *My Dinner with André,* but his links with Stafford-Clark go back a decade to *A Thought in Three Parts,* which caused a considerable scandal when first seen here at the ICA. That in turn led to Stafford-Clark being asked to direct at the Public and so, eventually, to the present exchange:

"At the time I was still with Joint Stock, and after years running the Traverse I had decided that I never again wanted to have to manage a building as well as an acting company. But then, when I went to work at the Public, I found that Papp was having such a wonderful time as a theatre manager that I came back here and agreed to take over the Court from Stuart Burge five years ago.

"When I first met Papp he was strongly opposed to the British theatre: he felt there was a terrible snobbery about the RSC making occasional guest visits to his city, where he'd been doing Shakespeare in Central Park for years without all that press adulation. But when he found that we were specializing in new work he began to get interested, and he was very keen on the idea of *Top Girls* coming over to New York. We worked out with American and British Equity a system of 'actor weeks', so that if three English actors do a Royal Court play at the Public for two months, say, then six American actors could do one month at the Court in return. At first the unions thought we were trying to import stars by stealth, but, once they realized that we were genuinely interested in keeping companies and productions together in their original form, then they began to be more helpful."

Now in his early forties, and one of the three sons of a well-known media psychologist (the other two are a drummer and the producer of the recently-released Deborah Kerr film *The Assam Garden*), Stafford-Clark seems on the face of it an unlikely transatlantic partner for Papp. Where Papp remains one of the most flamboyant of Broadway showmen, Stafford-Clark offers the rather lower profile of a Joint Stock founder:

"Joe is a commercial producer well aware that *Chorus Line* is what has kept him afloat these last ten years; he's a populist and I'm certainly not. But the Public Theater has always had a sharp ear for what's best in new writing and current social issues: I hope we'll be getting their AIDS play, *The Normal Heart,* at the Court soon. But I started this exchange out of financial necessity: our GLC and Arts Council grants are now only enough to run the Court for nine months out of 12, and unlike any comparable subsidized theatre we get no extra help from our own local council. So the only way we can stay open for the full year is with Papp's help: he's promised to give us fifty thousand dollars as a challenge grant, provided we can match it with the same amount from private donations over here.

"We may not have been shrieking quite as loudly as some theatres, but times at the Court are financially very bad indeed; as things stand, even with Papp's help, I'm still going to have to close the Theatre Upstairs for three months at Christmas. Ten years ago this theatre employed twice the present number of actors and did three times the number of plays; now, we ourselves only stage four productions a year downstairs and four upstairs. If we have to drop below that, there will really not be much point in keeping the Court going at all."

Yet Stafford-Clark is clearly not going to give up that easily. His Court contract has just been renewed for another five years, which means that by the end of it he will have been the longest-serving of all its directors; and, though there have been occasional periods of bilateral disenchantment with both press and public, there is no doubt that his track record there, stretching as it does from David Hare's *Slag* and Howard Brenton's *Magnificence* through to the Public transfers and *Falkland Sound,* has been among the mist distinguished since Devine's:

"I think one criticism of the Court in my time, as in Gaskill's, has been that we tend to get entrenched and beleaguered by what we see as an often hostile economic and critical world beyond Sloane Square; that's one reason why these New York transfers have been so good for us. To go there and have people tell you that your production has changed their lives is a refreshing change from the usually rather more low-key Chelsea response. Financially we don't make any money from the *exchange,* because it still costs so much to ship shows across the ocean, but, in the case of *Top Girls* and *Tom and Viv,* when we brought them back to the Court after their New York runs we were able to stage them for another season and do very well with them as 'New York hits'."

But, despite his enthusiasm for Papp and the Public and their often ecstatically enthusiastic audiences, Stafford-Clark still reckons he is better off directing in London:

"Theatre in New York is the glamorous end of the Stock Market, and, though I've sometimes had my doubts about one or two critics over here, at least none of you has the make-or-break power of the man on the *New York Times.* Here theatre is still taken more seriously as a way of looking at society, rather like the novel in the nineteenth century, but I think we've just been through a golden period in British drama which is rapidly coming to an end. If money runs out on the railways, trains stop that day; if money runs out in a theatre, it takes two or three years for the effects to be fully realized. At the moment I've got the best stock of new plays waiting to be staged here that I've ever had, but *when we get through those there won't be* any more unless we can find a way of paying for them.

"In my first five years at the Court I think we've been able to focus on the women who are now writing the most interesting plays about human territory (Caryl Churchill, Sarah Daniels, Louise Page) and also on plays about public issues *(Rat in the Skull, Operation Bad Apple, Not Quite Jerusalem). Insignificance* also came from here in my time, and we've now got a new David Mamet coming up, as well as a revival of *Women Beware Women.* Beyond that, a lot will depend on how soon we can get the Theatre Upstairs running again all round the year; if we can take up Papp's challenge and raise the other half of his grant over here, then we might be all right. For a while, at any rate."

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Gonzalito Rubalcaba
Ronnie Scott's

Following the extraordinary trumpeter Arturo Sandoval, who launched the Ronnie Scott Club's summer-long festival of music from Cuba, would in no circumstances be a cakewalk. For Gonzalito Rubalcaba, the pianist and composer whose septet opened the second part of the season this week, the problem is compounded by the obvious temptation to make direct comparisons.

Rubalcaba's ensemble goes *for the same* blend of bebop, funk and Latin idioms, giving evidence of a similar technical and conceptual sophistication and a comparable desire to impress which in other contexts would be dismissed as showing off. What Projecto Cuba – as the group is known – does not appear to have is a soloist approaching Sandoval's stature, capable of dominating and giving point to Rubalcaba's devious routines.

His fluent trumpeter, sharp-toned alto saxophonist and rather diffident tenor saxophonist – all, inexcusably, unidentified – are clearly exceptional musicians, but displayed few hints of original thought. The more felicitous moments included a trumpet solo imaginatively laid over the subdued hustle of drums and hand percussion, and a strange passage that managed to be simultaneously funereal and dreamy.

Rubalcaba features himself at length, his piano style reminding me at various times of Rodney Franklin, *Keith Jarrett* and Richard Clayderman. Almost as bizarre was the sight of his bass-guitarist switching briefly to a bassoon. Such hyperactivity, symbolic of an unwillingness to let the music settle into a groove, certainly keeps the audience on its toes.

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THE TIMES
FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Stage set for battle royal over Fleet Holdings

The principal surprise to emerge from yesterday's official approval for United Newspapers' ambitions towards Fleet Holdings is that the stock market was taken aback by the verdict. It removed a degree of uncertainty, and the likelihood of a lucrative auction was increased by the bellicose statements which both sides made later in the day.

But this Government has made it crystal clear on many ocasions in the past that it believes that the affairs of the market should be settled by the market – unless, of course, it has a particular axe of its own to grind. It would have been a considerable triumph of persuasion if Lord Matthews, chairman of Fleet, had managed to convince either Mrs Thatcher or Mr Tebbit that there was a case for making an exception in this instance.

One look at the milk-and-water report from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission would have been enough to tell Lord Matthews to saddle his horse and unsheath his sword. All objections to a bid were brushed aside, all assurances from United were accepted. Sir Godfray Le Quesne and his fellow investigators would have had to perform logical contortions to have followed this with a recommedation that the proposed merger was against the public interest.

The stage, then, is set for a battle royal. Its course may well be a great deal less predictable than the preliminary skirmishing. This is the biggest such newspaper deal to win the permission of the Government, and others beside United may feel that their credentials are as good.

There is no doubt that Fleet is a rare prize: its fate has been a constant topic of discussion among Fleet Street managements, for it was recognized as the most vulnerable of the national newspaper groups in the next few years. Its fate had to be settled as conveniently as possible without breaking the rules of the game.

That was why Robert Maxwell collected a key stake in Fleet last year, when he did not know whether he would walk off with the Mirror Group. That pocketed, he had to divest, and chose United as the best prospect. Mr Stevens, the head of United, can be relied upon if he wins, to run Fleet efficiently, to go along with the drive for lower manning and more computers, and not to rock the boat too much at the tabloid end of the market. And as yet he evinces little desire to mould according to personal whim, the character or political content of the Express newspapers that Fleet owns. He is, in a word, "safe".

Lord Matthews and Ian Irvine, the duo who run Fleet, can equally be relied upon to put up a strong fight. They have their own ambitions, and may reflect that the Monopolies report is a two-edged sword. If it is all right for United to bid for Fleet, then presumably it is fair game for Fleet to bid for United – and Fleet is the bigger of the two.

Guinness could be good for Bell investors

Today those investors in Arthur Bell & Son who live and work outside the City must finally make up their minds about the £360 million bid from Guinness. All acceptances must be lodged by 3 p.m. tomorrow and it will not seem a minute too soon for those involved, even though only 57 of the permitted 60 days will have been consumed in the battle. If it seems longer, that is because rumours were beginning to swirl around Bell's shares as long ago as mid-May.

Yesterday, the last mirage of a white knight vanished. Morgan Grenfell, Guinness' merchant bank, asked its counterparts in the Bell camp if any key particles of information had been passed to any third party. The answer was in the negative, which can only mean that no serious rival to Guinness is still interested. Finally, the board of Bell's conceded last night that it was no longer expecting an alternative offer. After seeking a saviour, Bell has at the crunch reverted to preferring independence, but that can be dismissed for the cynical skin-saving exercise which it plainly is.

The question that remains is stark: should Bell shareholders accept the Guinness offer or not? That must depend on how far ahead they are prepared to look.

If the deal goes through, Guinness shares will probably be treading water, if that is not mixing the metaphor too much. There will be considerably more Guinness shares on the market. Quite a few institutions hold both Guinness and Bell shares, and will want to trim their extra allocation of Guinness to maintain balance. A further justification for that is that Guinness' earning per share will not progress at anything like their recent rate for a year or so. Time, perhaps, to move to more exciting pastures.

But for those with slightly longer sight there is the opportunity to share in the transformation of Guinness. It has come a long way since the ruling family was shrewd enough to acquire the services as chief executive of Ernest Saunders, but the addition of Bell will provide a platform for more strategic moves. Mr Saunders will doubtless have studied with interest yesterday's results from W. H. Smith, which failed to excite the stock market.

The only other alternative for Bell shareholders is to reject Guinness and take their chance on the Bell share price. That, particularly after the disarray on the Bell board during the course of the campaign, would not be a clever move. Mr Miquel's attempt to strategic diversification, into hotels, has come too little and too late. But the fundamental worry is the outlook for its whisky brands. Their prospects are brighter as part of Guinness.

Inside story on higher wages

Why did wage settlements edge up in the first seven months of this year, despite an unemployment level stubbornly above 3 million? The answer, according to the second *Oxfod Review of Economic Policy*, published yesterday, lies in the divided nature of the labour market.

Essentially, there is a core of employed workers, which the Oxford economists describe as the insiders. And there is the periphery, or the outsiders. These include the unemployed as well as housewives and young people who are attracted to, for example, part-time jobs.

"What happens on the outside has little effect on the core, according to the review. Because of this, much of the current analysis of unemployment, including the concept of the "natural rate", is irrelevant. Wages in the core respond to changes in employment prospects for insiders.

Thus, wage increases came down sharply from over 20 per cent a year in 1980 to 5 per cent in 1983 because of a sharp deterioration in employment prospects in the core. Disturbingly, the reverse now appears to be true; even a small improvement in prospects (in other words, a marginal reduction in unemployment), could be enough to set off a damaging wage/price spiral.

The review supports much of current government policy on freeing up the labour market and expanding job creation measures such as the Community Programme. The analysis suggests that this could be extended much further without any distorting effect on the core labour market: but that in the short term, a reflationary boost is required

This, the Oxford economists suggest, would have to be accompanied by an incomes policy. They prefer the traditional sort rather than the fancier ideas of Professor Layard or Meade. The consequences of doing nothing are shown in the forecast contained in the review. Unemployment dips from 3.12 million this year to 3.07 million next because of the Budget job creation measures, but then stays just above the 3 million level. Average earnings meanwhile, continue to rise at 7-8 per cent a year.

W H Smith unveils plans for expansion

By Clare Dobie

W. H. Smith will open its first specialist record shop next month. It plans to open 15 record shops under the Sounds FX banner in time for Christmas. They will stock records, tapes, compact discs and related books and magazines.

Specialist record retailing is just one of the areas W. H. Smith intends to enter. It is expanding the existing chain of 33 bookshops and may open greetings card shops. It also plans to add 17 new Do It All do-it-yourself superstores this year, as well as expanding the high street business for which it is best known.

The company revealed these expansion plans yesterday, along with results for the year to June 1, 1985. Profits were £43.1 million before tax, compared with £43.4 million for the 70 weeks to June 2, 1984 and £38.4 million for the 52 weeks to June 2, 1984. The dividend of the "A" shares is up from 4.2p to 5p.

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Credit card cash move

By Our City Staff

Barclaycard announced yesterday that the 96,000 holders of company Barclaycards will be issued with personal identification numbers, allowing them to use cash dispensers and other facilities open to personal Barclaycard holders.

Until now, company cardholders have only been able to use their cards in retail outlets, worldwide and for cash advances in Britain and overseas. They will now have access to 720 Barclaybank machines in England and Wales, as well as cash dispensers in other countries

Company Barclaycards are becoming increasingly popular. Barclycard claims, with a 25 per cent increase in turnover in the first half of this year compared with the first six months of last year.

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Datastream USM	104.17 (+0.63)
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Dow Jones	1,325.9 (+2.2)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12,704.81 (+70.76)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1,650.78 (+41.96)
Amsterdam:	217.5 (+1.4)
Sydney: AO	955.9 (+1.7)
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Commerzbank	1416.5 (+2.6)
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Banks urged to extend Brazil debt deadline by 140 days

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent

Brazil's leading commercial bank creditors have agreed to recommend a further delay in principal repayments on the country's public-sector debt amid indications that Brazil will soon resume discussions with the International Monetary Fund.

Mr William Rhodes, chairman of the bank advisory committee for Brazil, said in a statement yesterday that the committee was recommending a 140-day extension to the present 90-day repayment moratorium, which expires on August 30.

He also said that the 14-bank committee would ask all 700 creditor banks to keep in place 16 billion of trade and interbank facilities for Brazil, during the latest extension which would run until January 17.

The advisory committee's recommendation was reached after talks in New York with a Brazilian team headed by Senhor Carlos Lemgruber, president of the central bank, and Senhor Carlos Eduardo de Freitas, director of international affairs at the central bank.

The extension appears to have the full support of the IMF, which has told the committee that negotiations with Brazil are due to resume next month.

M Jacques de Larosiere, managing director of the IMF, telexed the advisory committee saying that a team of Brazilian officials would be visiting Washington in early September to review economic policies and results for 1985, and to begin discussions about 1986.

Jacques de Larosiere: talks resume next month.

Brazil has been at odds with the IMF over the economic polices it should be pursuing, and last February the IMF suspended disbursements on a $4.2 billion loan package after the country failed to meet IMF targets on money supply and inflation.

Since then the Government of President José Sarney has insisted that it will not accept IMF measures which would lead to further austerity and recession. This week Senhor Francisco Dornelles, the Brazilian finance minister, said he would prefer to postpone a new IMF agreement until next year.

Brazil's failure to reach agreement with the IMF has also led to the postponement of a multi-year debt rescheduling deal. A multi-year deal covering about $45 billion of the country's $103 billion debts was agreed in principle with the banks earlier this year but put on ice pending agreement with the IMF. As with other debtors, commercial banks insist that rescheduling is conditional on an IMF programme.

Commercial banks have remained relatively relaxed about Brazil's posture towards the IMF because the country has remained up to date with its interest payments to them. The delay on principal payments now being recommended is shorter than the 180 days which Brazil is believed to have requested.

PCW agents vote for Phoenix

By Alison Eadie

Lloyd's members' agents representing PCW names voted yesterday to support an initiative by two PCW names to set up a new underwriting agency and take over the management of profitable marine syndicate 900, with Mr Ian Posgate as underwriter.

A total of 19 members' agents went to a meeting called by the two names, Mr Iain McClelland and Mr Richard Graham. The agents act for 1,200 PCW names with a capacity this year of £33 million out of a syndicate total of 1,889 names and capacity of £57 million.

The agents were asked to vote on four issues: first, whether a run-off of syndicate 900 should be avoided (passed by eleven votes to one); whether they supported the new agency, Phoenix Underwriting Agencies (again passed by eleven votes to one); whether the council of Lloyd's should be asked to permit the inititative to proceed without administrative delay (passed by sixteen votes to none) and whether they supported Mr Ian Posgate as the underwriter (passed by five votes to two).

The meeting was also told that Sir Michael Edwardes, who had been proposed as the new chairman of the agency, had withdrawn from talks. Sir Michael said he had every sympathy with the objectives of the sponsors.

If the initiative is to succeed, the PCW names must come up with a strong board of directors and obtain permission from Lloyd's for Mr Posgate to be the underwriter. He is suspended from working in the market.

Mr Posgate yesterday outlined what he believed should be done with the PCW syndicates, which have created losses of £130 million for the names. He suggested that the heavily loss-making syndicates 940 and 918 should be reinsured in the commercial market – outside Lloyd's.

The names fear that without the creation of Phoenix to continue the profitable business, their eventual losses in a run-off would be doubled.

Legal action to order check on Milbury

By Jeremy Warner

An attempt will be made in the High Court today to force the Government to investigate the affairs of Milbury, the housebuilding group whose chairman, Mr Jim Raper, was once described by the Takeover Panel as "unfit to be a director of a public company."

Mr Christopher Whitmey, a private shareholder in Milbury, is moving a notice of motion under the companies act 1985 before Mr Justice Shaw which, if successful, would force Mr Norman Tebbit, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, appoint inspectors to investigate the company.

Concern over the company's affairs prompted the Stock Exchange to suspend dealings in Milbury shares two days ago. It issued a statement saying it was seeking information on the default on a loan made to Milbury by Saint Piran, Mr Raper's main British company, and the transfer of the security for the loan.

St Piran is believed to have made a loan to Milbury which was secured by a charge over Westminster Property Group, a commercial property company acquired by Milbury two years ago in a deal worth £10 million.

Mr Raper has been reported as saying that ownership of Westminster, which was probably Milbury's largest asset, has been transferred to St Piran and that St Piran has sold its controlling 78.7 per cent stake in Milbury. However, no formal announcement of these transactions has yet been made to the Stock Exchange.

A spokesman for the Department of Trade and Industry said last night that the legal action had taken the department by surprise and that to date it had received no complaints that would warrant an investigation.

Mr Raper's affairs have been investigated once before by Department of Trade inspectors. In 1981 he was criticized in a Department of Trade report which recommended that St Piran be wound up, for exercising control over the company's board from the position of a minority shareholder.

A year earlier he was criticized by the Takeover Panel after he failed to meet obligations imposed on him under the takeover code.

Mr Raper came into conflict with the Takeover Panel again in 1983 when he launched his takeover bid for Westminster Property. The company was finally acquired after he decided to obey the Takeover Panel

Fisons to raise $50m with Euro-note issue

By Our City Staff

Fisons, the pharmaceutical group, is to raise up to $50 million in the budding Euro-commercial paper market, by issuing short-term Euro-notes. The programme it has arranged is only the second of its kind by a British company.

The aim of this method of borrowing is to raise short-term money more cheaply than through the banking system and also to diversify the company's source of funds. Mr Roy Thomas, finance director of Fisons, said yesterday that he hoped to shave between ¼ to ½ per cent off the group's dollar borrowing compared with what Fisons was paying on short-term bank borrowings.

The notes will be of 30 to 183 days maturity and the proceeds will be used to replace short-term dollar bank borrowings. But in contrast to the hugely popular Euro-note issuance facilities, the Fisons notes are not underwritten by banks so the funds are not guaranteed.

The other key feature is that the notes will be sold and distributed in the market by two designated dealers, in this case Credit Suisse First Boston, one of the innovators in this market, and Morgan Guaranty Ltd. Note issuance facilities have traditionally been distributd by the panel of banks which underwrite the issues.

Profits at Pearl drop 50%

By Richard Thomson

Pearl Assurance, Britain's second largest industrial life assurance company, yesterday announced a 50 per cent drop in pretax profits for the half year to June 30, as a result of large general insurance losses.

On the disclosure that profits were down to £4.16 million, compared with £8.36 million at the same time last year, the company's shares fell 55p to 1143p, despite a 1.5p increase in the interim dividend to 15.25p.

General insurance trading losses accelerated to £10.18 million from £890,000 last time because of bad weather the United Kingdom and reserving against claims on the company's reinsurance business.

Commenting on the results, Mr Nigel Proddow, chief general manager, said: "It is a matter of concern that such a small part of our business as beneral insurance can have such a big effect on our figures. The result is very disappointing."

The direct business contributed £8.43 million to the £15.2 million general insurance underwriting loss.

The rest of the losses came mainly from reinsurance business, where reserves had to be strengthened by more than £5 million against expected future claims. Large losses on warranty business and on business from Monarch Insurance in the United States and Community Reinsurance in Canada are expected.

Pearl also announced that it was planning to sell the loss-making Monarch before the end of the year as part of a move to curtail its reinsurance business.

Pearl maintained a steady improvement in its life business.

Britannic Assurance, which also announced interim figures yesterday, showed premium income increases in all areas of business. Industrial branch premiums rose more than £1 million to £47.59 million, and ordinary branch premiums were up £1.5 million to £15.98 million. The interim dividend *was increased from 8.5p to 9.5p.*

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Saxon given extra week to accept Charterhouse deal

By Ian Griffiths

Shareholders in Saxon Oil have been given another week to decide whether to accept the terms of a proposed merger with Charterhouse Petroleum, which they must now consider alongside a takeover bid from Enterprise Oil.

The future of the merger, agreed and recommended by both boards last month, has been thrown into doubt by the £120.6 million bid from Enterprise, which was formally announced on Tuesday. By 3 pm on that day 79.3 per cent of Charterhouse shareholders and 36.4 per cent of Saxon shareholders had given their acceptances for merger terms.

Some of the Saxon acceptances had been received before news of Enterprise's interest was made know last week and might be withdrawn. However, around one third were received after that news emerged.

The merger offers have therefore been extended until next Wednesday.

Enterprise bought a further 208,000 Saxon shares in the market yesterday at 540p, the price of its cash offer to Saxon shareholders, lifting its stake to 15.84 per cent.

The Enterprise bid was recommended by a narrow majority of the Saxon board on Monday but only after an all-day meeting.

Enterprise is expected to send its formal offer document to Saxon shareholders next weekend. Soon after that they will receive a statement from the dissenting Saxon directors, explaining why they believe that it should be rejected and the Charterhouse merger accepted.

Tea merger inquiry

The Sri Lankan Government is to investigate whether the proposed merger between Brooke Bond and Lipton, both multi-nationals dealing in tea, will result in a monopoly which will affect Sri Lanka's tea prices overseas.

The Trade Minister, Mr M. S. Amarasiri, told the cabinet yesterday that his ministry was drafting a Fair Trade Practices Commission Bill which would have provision to investigate companies that reach merger agreements being formed.

The two chiefs of Lipton and Brooke Bond in Sri Lanka were summoned by the ministry on July 25. They explained tht their companies' share of tea exported from Sri Lanka was 14 per cent, and that internal sales accounted for 1 per cent.

IN BRIEF

Halifax to cut rates

The Halifax Building Society has announced cuts in its investment rates from September 1. Its ordinary share rate will fall 1.25 percentage points to 7 per cent net of basic rate tax, but its Extra Interest Account is coming down only one percentage point to 8.75 per cent net. The 90-day Account will fall 1.25 percentage points to 9.5 per cent net, while the Premium Extra Account falls from 10.6 per cent to 9.4 per cent.

The Cheltenham & Gloucester Building Society is to cut its mortgage rate of more than the prevailing 1.25 percentage points, to 12.65 per cent from September 1.

Chairman dies

Charterhouse's chairman and chief executive Mr John Hyde has died after a short illness. Mr Hyde, who was 57, became chairman of the group and a director of the Royal Bank of Scotland after its acquisition of Charterhouse this year.

S Africa pullout

Phibro-Salomon, the American investment house, announced yesterday that it was closing its Johannesburg office and is making an orderly withdrawal from all activies in South Africa. The company said that the move would have no material effect on its business.

French Trade Minister Edith Cresson has ruled out a devaluation of the franc, saying it would not compensate for French industry's failure to gear its products to world markets. She was addressing a news conference after the publication of disappointing July trade figures. The last franc devaluation was in March 1983.

Hawley rise

Hawley, the services company, lifted profits from £11.0 million to £12.1 million before tax in the six months to June 30. Turnover was up from £119 million to £193 million and the interim dividend is 1.75p.

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Bid fails

Norway's Kosmos shipping group has warded off a takeover bid by the world's largest cruise ship operator, Norwegian Caribbean Lines (NCL), when shareholders agreed to issue 2 million new shares, effectively ending the bid for a controlling share of the company.

Icahn confident

Mr Carl Icahn, the US financier, said yesterday he hoped to complete his acquisition of Trans World Airlines, subject to financing, by November 30.

Revlon review

Moody's Investors' Service said in New York that it has placed under review, for possible downgrade, the debt ratings of Revlon Inc because of the company's announcement *that it may buy back as much as* 13 per cent of its shares.

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Annual Results 1985

70 weeks to 2 June 1984 £ million		52 weeks to 1 June 1985 £ million	**52 weeks to 2 June 1984 £ million
1,290.2	TURNOVER	1,067.2	986.4
42.1	TRADING PROFIT	42.5	37.1
0.1	Property profits less relocation costs	0.5	0.2
1.2	Net interest receivable	–	1.1
43.4	PROFIT BEFORE TAX	43.0	38.4
18.3	Taxation	17.3	15.5
25.1	PROFIT AFTER TAX	25.7	22.9
(0.8)	Extraordinary items – profit/(loss)	0.3	(0.8)
24.3	NET PROFIT	26.0	22.1
14.58p	Earnings before extraordinary items	14.84p	13.25p
5.6p	Dividend	5.0p	4.2p

✳ Profit and earnings per share for the 52 weeks up 12%.
✳ Dividend increased by 19%.
✳ Major jump in DIY profits to over £4m.
✳ Sound performance of W.H.Smith retail chain despite decline in home computer market.
✳ Further development of UK specialist bookselling chain.
✳ Wholesaling benefits from new computer control system.
✳ Significant expansion in North America.

**Last year the financial year end was changed to the Saturday nearest to the end of May and the results then announced covered the 70 weeks to 2 June 1984. To provide a comparison the unaudited results for the financial year, 52 weeks to 2 June 1984, are shown.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Distillers gains 11p after broker investigates Hanson interest

By Derek Pain and Cliff Feltham

As the acrimonious battle for Arthur Bell & Sons draws to its climax, shares of the Distillers Co., the biggest Scotch whisky group of them all, were back in the takeover spotlight.

They jumped 11p to 308p as Wood, Mackenzie and Co., the broker, revealed it had again been examining the DCL share register – this time to try to spot the rumoured interest of Lord Hanson's Hanson Trust.

Wood, Mackenzie drew a blank. But it pointed out that the share register had not been updated since early this month and there had been active trading in the current account.

The broker said: "Our view is that bid speculation cannot be disregarded and with the stock yielding 7.6 per cent there is not much downside".

It was probing by the broker which last year disclosed that the cash-rich General Electric Company had acquired a 3 per cent DCL shareholding. The GEC interest has not been sold.

The struggle between Guinness and Bell has highlighted that, although the Scotch whisky industry is going through a difficult period, it still has many attractions. And although Guinness is prepared to pay about £360 million for Bell its offer has not put the shares on the high-flying rating which a whisky company could at one time have been expected to command.

In fact, stripping out Bell's hotel interests, it has been calculated that the offer puts no more than an average indusrial price earnings multiple on the group.

Such thoughts, the market reasons, could prompt Hanson Trust, which recently raised £519 million through a rights issue, to try for the DCL, which has traditionaly enjoyed only a modest share rating.

Lord Hanson: chairman of Hanson Trust.

John Clement: chairman of Unigate.

Hanson shares gained 2p to 209p and GEC was unchanged at 190p.

Since its mammoth rights issue – the biggest by a fully-privatized company – Hanson's name had been linked with various companies in this country and overseas. Its only move since the cash call has been to take a 7 per cent chare stake in Bowater Industries, the packaging and paper group.

Although the DCL was the most sought after FT 30 constituent, the market enjoyed another fine session. Institutional share buying, encouraged by a little transatlantic interest, pushed prices higher in a market short of stock.

Hopes that interest rate cuts are not far away continued to help sentiment and the FT share index finished at 988.2 points, a six-point gain. The FT-SE index of 100 shares advanced 6.8 points to 1,313.9 points.

Government stocks had a happier day with gains stretching to £¼.

Among blue chips to move ahead were BOC Group, up 8p at 292p, and Thorn EMI, 5p higher at 367p.

British Petroleum, which has sold its 3.6 per cent shareholding in Johnson Matthey gained 7p to 548p. The group, which at one time contemplated bidding for Johnson Matthey, has also sold its 633,330 convertible preferred shares. It seems that BP has lost interest in attempting a takeover now that new chief executive, Mr Eugene Anderson, is showing signs of sorting out the group. Johnson Matthey eased 2p to 116p.

Imperial Group, still to sell its troublesome Howard Johnson catering chain, slippd 1p to 182p. There is market talk that when the long-running Ho-Jo saga ends, Imps will move in for Unigate, the food group headed by Mr John Clement. Unigate shares gained 5p to 90p, a peak for the year.

Breweries remained firm on beer price increases. Vaux Breweries, the Sunderland group, rose a further 2p to 345p. It, too, is being named as a possible Imps target. But some of the buying is on the back of the brewery's extensive hotel interests which embrace about 40 properties, including the London International.

The Cardiff food group Avana was good for a 3p rise at 562p on the back of a buy signal from the stockbroker Fielding, Newson-Smith.

The broker has trimmed its full-year forecast by £2 million to £22 million because of difficulties with margins on jam and volume weakness at Viota. As a result the first-half performance is expected to show only a slight improvement [illegible] ready well [illegible] shares are worth [illegible] the present price.

It points out that the record of growth at Avana remains outstanding, the group is financially strong, and the return on capital is the best inthe sector.

Elsewhere in the sector, Bassett Foods, which last year fought off a takeover bid from Avana, was 3p better at 156p while Dalgety went 2p better at 420p.

Prince of Wales Hotels, where there is talk of pending bid action, gained [illegible] as the Kuwait Investment Office announced a 9.3 per cent shareholding.

In April the KIO sold a near 20 per cent interest in the company. Its shares went to [illegible] Andenaes, a Norwegian company, and its associate, Sunbelt Holdings. They have 26 per cent.

Quality Inns, an American hotel group, has approaching 30 per cent of the capital and manages the PoW hotels. The American group has announced plans to create a 100-strong European hotel by 1990.

It is owned by a company called Manor Care, which is the fourth largest nursing home operation in the US.

Shares in the dress hire group Moss Bros reflected disappointment at the rejection by the Greater London Council of plans to redevelop the company's headquarters in Covent Garden. The plan, for offices, shops and flast, could according to some outside estimates, have produced, a £10 million profit for the company. But Moss Bros is pressing on with the scheme and plans to appeal to the Environment Secretary. The shares, after initially falling 45p, settled at 485p for a drop of 35p.

The USM group Property Trust hardened ¼p at 10p on the arrival as chairman of Mr Buddru Virani – uncle of Mr Nazmu Virani, of Belhaven Brewery.

Mr Virani, together with his son Azim, has picked up a 10.06 [illegible] the next 12 [illegible] a cost of £2.2 [illegible].

London Securities had been left with a 39 per cent stake in Property Trust after a recent unsuccessful takeover bid.

Would the Prime Minister buy a house from a builder which let down its shareholders by cutting their dividend? That was the poser in the market yesterday as Barratt Developments watchers grew more confident that the troubles in the group will not be allowed to prevent a maintained final dividend when it announces full year results next month.

The shares reflected the mood and climbed to a new high for the year of 94p, up 6p on the day. They have languished at 64p this year.

First-half profits slumped by £15 million to £4 million and analysts have been busy trimming full-year forecasts which range from £2 million to £8 million. Either way, most interest will be focused on the dividend. A maintained dividend should be an indication that the well publicized difficulties of Barratts are now behind it and Sir Lawrie's switch into higher priced homes, particularly in the South-east, is beginning to pay off.

In the meantime, analysts are still taking a fairly cautious view of the shares.

● British Telecom and British Aerospace were the most active contracts yesterday on the London traded option market. Out of 8,543 deals BT attracted 3,424 and BAe 625. Most of the BT contracts were puts but BAe attracted many more calls than puts.

Shares in Astra Holdings, a firework company, have been placed at 135p each by Hichens Harrison & Co., the broker. Dealings are expected to take place under the Stock Exchange 535 special dealing rule facility. Later a USM presence may be sought.

Rush & Tompkins building and property group advanced 6p to 238p yesterday as the Border & Southern Stockholders Trust, a persistant fan of the company, lifted its shareholding to almost 11 per cent.

British Aerospace, up 2p at 375p, is due to announce interim figures next week. The market expects about £67 million before tax against £56 million in the same period last year. For the full year £150 million is anticipated.

TEMPUS

W H Smith pins its hopes on retail expansion

Suddenly W. H. Smith is moving into several new areas of retailing at once. It is opening record shops and specialist bookshops, as well as expanding across the Atlantic. If successful, these new projects could provide the growth the City has been patiently waiting for. They might even ensure the company's independence.

Last year saw profits rise by only 13 per cent to £43.4 million on a like-for-like basis. But by increasing the divdend from 4.2p to 5p the company is indicating a future rate of growth nearer 20 per cent.

Profits last year would admittedly have been higher if not for the collapse of home computer sales. This held back the newsagent side. Wholesaling, however, progressed well but the big jump came from the do-it-yourself chain of superstores, where profits leapt by £3 million to £4.3 million.

Having got the do-it-yourself diversification to perform, the company clearly feels confident to embark on new projects. Next month the first record shop opens, with 15 due by Christmas. More bookshops are planned after last year's £9 million acquisition of Websters.

Across the Atlantic, Elson, the hotel-newsagent chain acquired this month for $65 million (£45 million) plans to open 90 shops this year. Taking these projects together, capital spending is expected to rise from £31 million to £50 million this year. That and the Elson acquisition will have taken borrowing from virtually nothing to 40 per cent of shareholders' funds.

The new shops are mostly in growth areas. The only worry for shareholders is whether W. H. Smith is doing too much at once.

Hawley Group

Oscar Wilde may have thought that it is better to be talked about than not talked about but it is not necessarily a view which would be shared by Michael Ashcroft, chairman of Hawley Group. It is almost as if the more his name is mentioned to City fund managers, the less likely they are to buy shares in his company.

Much to the dismay of the analysts who have joined the Hawley fan club, their enthusiasm for the company is not universally shared in the City. The problem remains one of credibility rather than trading and fundamentals.

It is significant that the reaction from some analysts to yesterday's interim results from Hawley was one of relief rather than breathless admiration. The last thing that those issuing buy notes wanted was a disappointing trading performance. As it was, pretax profits of £12.1 million, up from £11 million, were more than enough to maintain Hawley's popularity among its supporters.

The company was giving no clues as to where the improvements came from, other than to say there were no star performers. However, trading must have been stronger than expected in security and cleaning since Hawley's quoted home improvements subsidiary, Kean & Scott, turned in dismal figures.

Pretax profits at Kean & Scott slumped form £4.1 million to £1.3 million as the problems at Moben, the fitted kitchen business, took their toll. There have been substantial restructuring and management changes at Kean & Scott which are now largely complete.

Moben is expected to return to profit in the second half, but the overall prospects for Kean & Scott this year are far from exciting.

This dull performance will clearly impinge on Hawley's full-year results. So too could exchange rates. With well over 50 per cent of profits now generated in the US the translation effects might be significant.

Hawley's shares closed up 2p at 79p. With pretax profits of perhaps £37 million for the year in prospect, and with the benefit of a tax charge of about 15 per cent, the multiple is a little over six times earnings. While the company's City credibility remains low, however, there is little chance of rapid improvement in the share price.

Pearl Assurance

Pearl Assurance's announcement yesterday that interim profits had dropped to half the level of last year's got an emphatic thumbs down from an annoyed and disappointed stock market. Pearl shares dropped 55p to 1143p, largely because after last year's disappointing result Pearl had clearly indicated that it expected things to improve rapidly. They have not, and the prospect for the rest of the year must remain uncertain.

As at the end of last year, the company's general insurance business, which forms only a small part of the whole, has had an inordinately big effect on the overall result. Losses on United Kingdom underwriting jumped more than £3 million to £8.43 million. The company, which has heavy exposure to household and motor insurance, ascribes the loss almost wholly to bad weather early in the year.

But worse was the reserving of more than £5 million because of poor reinsurance business. Last year's figures were hit by unexpected reserving, and Pearl had suggested that more would not be necessary. As a result, the company's hope that its reserves are now adequate must be treated with caution.

Despite this, the dividend is being raised by 11 per cent which, with the proposed sale of Monarch Insurance in the United States, could look like a defensive move. Pearl's asset value per share, after all, is now well over £15 – far more than the share price. But even if Pearl's management is beginning to worry, it is hard to see who would want to buy an old-fashioned industrial life office when other parts of the insurance sector are attracting so much attention.

Moreover, the sale of the loss-making Monarch is little but a relief to Pearl and its shareholders alike.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Rich pickings when the press moves house

By Judith Huntley

The dwindling number of development sites left in the City of London and on its western fringes, is causing developers and agents alike to cast envious eyes over buildings whose use could change dramatically.

The newspaper industry in the City, Fleet Street and around Holborn is sitting on very valuable property assets, which could help to pay for the changes in newspaper technology now being pushed through.

And the office market in those areas is booming at the moment with rents in the Fleet Street and Holborn rising rapidly, for the first time in several year.

The key to these potentially lucrative sites lies in relocating the printing operations and finding other office space for jounalists and administrators.

London's Docklands is to be the home of at least three of the national newspapers' printing operations and it is possible that a fourth will move there. That leaves the question mark hanging over the large buildings now occupied by the press. The redevelopment potential has not escaped the property market.

Several of the City firms of chartered surveyors have been looking at the massive Mirror Group headquaters at Holborn Circus, a plum site which would repay redevelopment. It is owned by Mr Robert Maxwell, who plans to move the printing presses to Docklands or somewhere south of the Thames.

Mr Maxwell says that journalists and other staff will stay in Holborn. But the prospect of capitalizing on a site that some City estimates put at £30 million if cleared, must be tempting. Speculation is mounting that development on the Mirror site could entail the building of commercial offices, with smaller amounts of space being occupied by the newspaper itself.

Associated Newspapers, which publishes the *Daily Mail* and *The Mail on Sunday*, is pushing for its new printing works in Docklands to be completed ahead of schedule. Surrey Docks is to be its home, a site which has been earmarked for the printing operation for some years. The paper is now printed in the Tudor Street area off Fleet Street on a site close to that occupied by News International's *Sun* and *News of the World*.

Associated Newspapers has been renegotiating leases in the area around Tudor Street with the freeholder, the Corporation of the City of London, a large landowner in the area. The sites along Bouverie Street occupied by Associated Newspapers and News International, which is moving the printing operations of *The Sun* and the *News of the World* to Dockland, could offer a developer the chance to create a £100 million office scheme – and could give the press barons some useful profits.

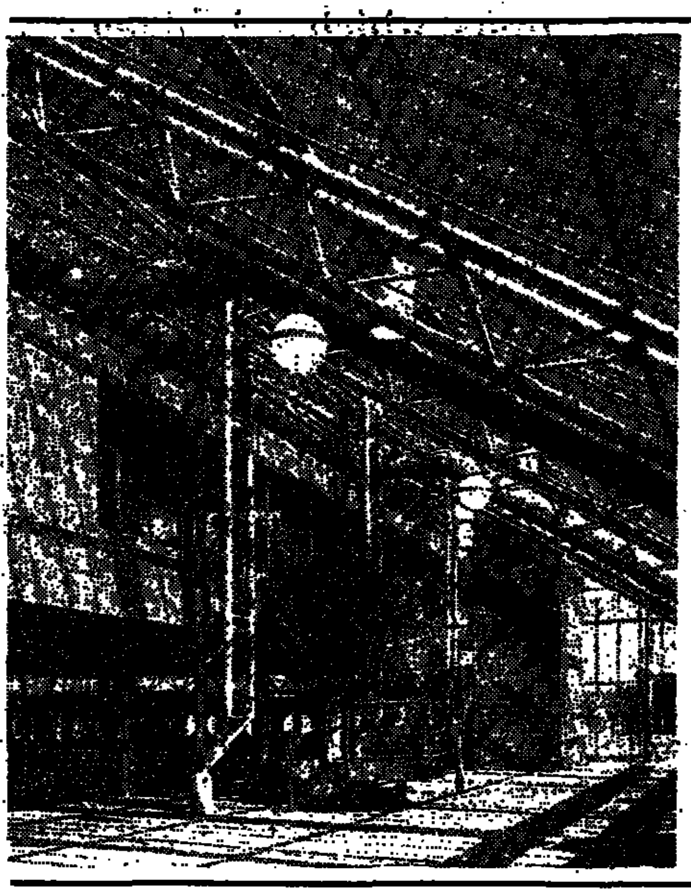
Closer to the heart of the City, opposite St Paul's Cathedral, lies the home of the *Financial Times*, Bracken House. Its development potential in a prime spot in Cannon Street has hardly gone unnoticed by the property men. The difficulty lies in unlocking that potential.

The newspaper itself managed to buy the freehold from the City of London Corporation for £3 million in order to carry out internal alterations. Its management says that operations will remain in the listed building. That came as a sore disappointment to developers who would love to do a deal with the newspaper's owner, the Pearson Group. The chance of obtaining a freehold site in the City is not to be missed and high prices would be paid if the group were ever tempted to cash in on its asset.

Precedents have already been set within the newspaper industry to realize property assets. Rothesay Developments bought the freehold of the *Daily Telegraph's* site in Fleet Street last year in a complex deal involving a hefty intial payment and a deal over development profits. There are plans to put 200,000 sq ft of offices on the 1.15 acre site to be vacated by the printing works, which will move to Docklands next year.

Trafalgar House, part-owner of *The London Standard*, redeveloped the newspaper's offices in Shoe Lane between Fleet Street and Holborn in a 190,000 sq ft office scheme pre-let to Coopers & Lybrand, the firm of accountant. It was sold to Norwich Union for about £45 million last year, in one of the City's biggest investment deals.

Newspaper plums are worth the picking, and the property market is waiting for the fruit to ripen.



Holiday start for £24m centre

The £24 million Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre in Glasgow, the largest project of its kind north of the border, is complete and will be open to the public on Monday. The halls, a mixture of large sheds and greenhouse-style buildings, have cost around £66 a sq ft to construct. The 300,000 sq ft project was built by Bovis Construction in 26 months on the 64-acre site of Glasgow's Queens Dock, by the Clyde. A site next door has ben reserved for a hotel, but so far neither funding nor operator have been found.

The exhibition centre is being financed by three partners, each putting up £8 million. They are the Scottish Development Agency, Glasgow and Strathclyde Councils and a consortium of private funders have invested in the project. The private consortium consists of the Bank of Scotland, the Royal Bank of Scotland, the Clydesdale Bank, the General Accident, Scottish Mutual, Commercial Union, Scottish Widows and Scottish Amicable insurance companies, ICFC and Textile Pensions.

Broadgate tempts New York

It may not be long before the remaining phases of Rosehaugh and Stanhope Securities' Broadgate development at Liverpool Street Station in the City are let. Three or four potential occupiers are talking about taking some, if not all, of the 300,000 sq ft in phases three and four of the £300 million development.

One of the names that might be interested in taking a lot of space there is Merrill Lynch, the American financial services firm. It said recently that it wanted to have all of its many operations in the City under one roof, and Broadgate would offer the chance to do so.

The last two phases of the project have yet to be designed, but they could be linked or built as one block. However, Stanhope Securities denies that any negotiations are taking place.

Salomon Brothers, the American investment banker, is another firm looking at the scheme.

As always with such large deals, waiting on a decision can be an anxious time for the developer. And these firms are considering other office buildings in the City. For example, London & Metropolitan Estate's Ropemaker Street project is being examined by Salomon Brothers and possibly by Merrill Lynch.

The demand from the financial community in the City for large amounts of new space is heightened by the needs of American conglomerates. It appears that some of them with big offices in the City and New York are considering moving more staff to London, which could end up with most of the business.

The arguments being heard around the City are that it is cheaper to work in London than New York, that staff enjoy working here and that dealing from the City has advantages over the Big Apple because of the time zones.

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	11½%
Adam & Company	11½%
Barclays	11½%
BCCI	11½%
Citibank Savings	*12¾%
Consolidated Crds	11½%
Continental Trust	11½%
Co-operative Bank	11½%
C. Hoare & Co	11½%
Lloyds Bank	11½%
Midland Bank	11½%
Nat Westminster	11½%
TSB	11½%
Williams & Glyn's	11½%
Citibank NA	11½%

* Mortgage Base Rate.

Agent expects £1m an acre for high-tech site

● Healey & Baker, the estate agent, is hoping to obtain more than £1 million an acre for a freehold site in Hanworth, Middlesex, which could be developed with 30,000 sq ft of high-tech space with 50 per cent offices. H & B is selling the site on behalf of the Spring Grove Laundry, a subsidiary of Pritchard Services which is moving down the M3 to Basingstoke, Hampshire.

The company hopes to capitalize on its existing site in an area where the pressures for high-tech development are boosting land prices. So far, 12 bids have been received for the site, some for at least £1 million an acre. The bidders, which include developers, owner-occupiers and two funds, have to make their best offers by tomorrow.

H & B is confident of getting £1 million for the one-acre site, which fronts the dual carriageway leading to the M3.

The agent says that locations with such high visibility and good access have soared in value.

In 1981 a former Thames Water Authority site of 2.5 acres in nearby Sunbury, Surrey, was sold for a record price of £650,000 an acre. Last year £840,000 an acre was paid by Flaxyard, the developer, for a 2.36-acre site, also in Sunbury, where a 63,500 sq ft high-tech scheme is under way.

● Wiggins Teape UK is to stay at Aztec West, the business park scheme developed by Electricity Supply Nominees on the edge of Bristol. Wiggins Teape has agreed to take 1700 Aztec West, a 28,000 sq ft building which will become its headquarters for storage and distribution.

The joint letting agents for the development, Richard Ellis and Lalonde Brothers & Parham, say that the rent of £3.60 a sq ft is a record for this kind of building in Bristol. Wiggins now occupies 75,000 sq ft at Aztec West as temporary accommodation which it will vacate once its new space is complete next year.

The new site will give Wiggins Teape the chance to expand its space by another 30,000 sq ft. [illegible] advised the company.

● Credit [illegible], which occupies 30 Cannon Street in the City of London, a building constructed to its own requirements in [illegible], is putting 8,000 sq ft of space on the market. It was formerly occupied by Deloitte Haskins & Sells, the accountant, which has moved to [illegible] House [illegible] Old Bailey developed by Laing Securities.

[illegible] the agent [illegible] the French bank, is asking £285.00 a year for a new lease of up to seven years, for the space.

● Crowngap, the Surrey property company, has successfully pre-let its first scheme in the Channel Islands in St Helier, the capital of Jersey. The 26,000 sq ft office building carried out in conjunction with Royal Life, which funded the £3 million scheme, has been let to Mourant de Feu Jeune, local solicitors, [illegible] the project at an average rent of £7.75 a sq ft. The letting agents were Weatherall Green & Smith, St Quintin, which advised Royal Life, and Gothard & [illegible].

● One of the largest office sales in the centre of Paris for some time has been carried out by the Paris arm of Savills, Rochal, formerly [illegible], which has sold the headquarters building of the Compagnie Generale de Constructions Telephoniques to the Mutuelle de Retraite des Instituteurs and des Fontionnaires de l'Education Nationale.

The building occupied an island site of about 350,000 sq ft at the corner of rues de Vaugirard, Paul Barruel and Favorites in the 15th arrondissement. The building, for which the purchasers paid Ffr 280 million (£22.93 million), is to be completely refurbished and will be occupied by the Federation Nationale de la Mutualite Francaise.

● Norcros Investments has reached agreement with Safeway for a 40,000 sq ft store and 540 parking spaces in the centre of Kirkintilloch, Strathclyde. Planning permission for the scheme has yet to be obtained from Strathkelvin district Council. Norcros wants to develop the former Lion Foundry site in the town centre close to its main shopping street in the £3 million project.

COMPANY NEWS

● **VICKERS:** Vickers has agreed to acquire the business, the name and the majority of the assets and liabilities of Teca Corp. through a newly-formed Delaware company, Medelec Inc. for £11.35 million cash. Teca has its headquarters in New York state and manufactures electro-diagnostic medical equipment for distribution to hospitals throughout the US and in some certain other countries.

● **IDC GROUP:** Acceptances of the offer by Matthew Hall have been received in respect of 6,327,357 IDC ordinary shares (95.5 per cent). The offer has become unconditional as to acceptances, and has been extended until further notice.

● **JOHNSON MATTHEY:** The company has sold the assets of Malthus Instruments, manufacturers of microbiological analysers, to Radiometer, Copenhagen. The business was a division of Matthey printed products and has been transferred to Radiometer on an ongoing basis. The decision to withdraw from this activity follows the appraisal of Johnson Matthey group operations undertaken by the board.

● **STOCKLEY:** European Ferries Group, which holds all of Stockley's non-voting ordinary shares, has converted 21,239,750 of these shares into ordinaries and now holds 71,095,161 ordinaries, thereby restoring its holding to 29.9 per cent.

● **MERSEY DOCKS & HARBOUR CO:** Half-year to June 30. Figures in £000. Turnover 28,083 (27,111). Pretax profit, 1,416 (1,289), after exceptional items of severance costs 1,545 (1,163) and including repayable government grants, 1,545 (1,163). Tax, 400 (500).

● **SECURITY CENTRES HOLDINGS:** The board of Security Centres has posted to shareholders a document setting out its strong advice not to accept the offer from Automated Security Holdings (ASH) which is considered to be particularly opportunistic, in the light of current unresolved litigation between ASH and Security centres.

● **SELECTV:** Year to March 31. No dividend (same). Turnover, £261,609 (£272,624). Pretax loss, £355,570 (loss, £1,043,344). No tax (nil). Loss per share 2.45p (loss, 7.6p).

● **KEAN & SCOTT:** Half-year to June 30. Interim 0.666p (same). Figures in £000. Turnover 56,501 (38,371). Pretax profit 1,253 (4,134). Tax 320 (1,364). Earnings per share, 0.8p (3.1p).

● **FIFE INDMAR:** Six months to June 30. Interim 0.75p (0.75p adjusted). Figures in £000. Turnover 7,329 (6,768). Group profit, before tax, 87 (173).

● **JOS HOLDINGS:** Year to July 31. Total dividend 3.55p (3.2p). Total income, £396,064 (£362,226).

● **UNITED PACKAGING:** Year to April 30. Figures in £000. Turnover, 9,272 (7,970). Pretax profit, 1,294 (1,068). One-for-three scrip issue proposed.

● **INSIGHT GROUP:** Half-year to June 30. Interim 0.975p (0.75p). Figures in £000. Turnover 12,437 (9,888). Profit before tax, 1,413 (1,049). The board reports that bookings in 1985 are ahead of last year, sales having increased significantly in the US and Canada where there are excellent long-term growth prospects.

● **PROPERTY TRUST:** London Securities has agreed to sell to Messrs Baddrudi and Azim Virani 7.6 million ordinary shares (10.6 per cent) in property trust, at 10p per share, for £760,000 cash. An option has also been granted to the purchasers exercisable on or before August 15, 1986, whereby a further 15,038,000 shares (19.9 per cent) held by London Securities may be purchased for £2,255,700 cash. The proceeds of sale will be used by London Securities to reduce its indebtedness.

● **TELFOS HOLDINGS:** Half-year to June 30. Interim dividend 1.4p (1.05p). The directors intend to recommend a maintained final of 1.54p on the increased capital. Figures in £000. Turnover 5,020 (3,885). Pretax profit 508 (252). One-for-five scrip issue proposed.

● **COPENHAGEN HANDLESBANK:** Figures in millions of kroner. Total interest income, 3,917 (3,139.6) for the first half of 1985. Pretax profit, 1,237 (41.2). Latest pretax profit is equivalent to £88 million.

J. N. NICHOLS (VIMTO): Half-year to June 30. Interim 2.75p (2.5p). Figures in £000. Turnover, 12,301 (10,386). Pretax profit, 3,170 (2,326).

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
ATA Selection 5p Ord (59a)	62
Aberdeen Steak Houses 5p Ord (67a)	81
Bradstock Group 5p Ord (170)	190+2
Britoil 10p Ord (185) £1 paid	128+5
C C A Galleries 10p Ord (80a)	87
Cannon Street Inv 20p Ord (a)	38
Control Techniques 10p Ord (115)	123–3
Dean Park Htls 25p Ord (51a)	50–1
F K B Group 5p Ord (140a)	158+2
First Security 10p Ord (160)	115
Goodhead Print 30p Ord (88a)	85
Green Property IR25p Ord (78)	68
Lewmar 25p Ord (110a)	103
Lysander Petroleum 5p Ord (65a)	68
Michael J. Design 2.5 Ord (44a)	51
Micro Scope 10p Ord (120)	102
Moss Advertising 5p Ord (105a)	90
Nordic Inv Trust 10p Ord (50)	48
Prestwick Holdings 5p Ord (100)	74
Sapphir Petroleum 50p Ord (150a)	98+2
Tiphook 10p Ord (110)	110
Trilion 10p Ord (73a)	104+4
Yellow Hammer 5p Ord (110a)	131
Rights issues	
Brown (John) (25) Nil Pd	4prem+½
Fershaws Burton (360) Nil Pd	46prem–10
Hanson Tst (185) Prty Pd	123+3
Nolton (25) Nil Pd	3prem–3
Tace (425) Nil Pd	60prem–5

Issue price in parentheses a Unlisted Securities. *by tender.

APPOINTMENTS

Direct Wine Suppliers: Mr Timothy Garland has been appointed managing director, succeeding Mr Henry Mason, who will continue as chairman.

C. H. Beazer (Holdings): Beazer Commercial Developments; Mr Harry Lunt has been made director and general manager. Beazer Estates: Mr Michael Martin becomes managing director. Beazer Projects: Mr Graham Brimecombe has been made managing director. Mr Don Evans has become chairman of all three subsidiaries and Miss Paulene Toghill director and secretary.

Central & Sheerwood: Mr Robert Simpson has been made managing director of Holcombe Holdings, a subsidiary of Central & Sherwood.

Thermal Conversions (UK): Mr Alf Beard has become chairman.

National Westminster Bank: Mr Geoffrey Wilson has been appointed a director of the bank's West Midland and Wales regional board.

United Kingdom Provision Trade Federation: Mr Bill Gaimster has been elected chairman.

Myson Fans: Mr Eric L Jones has been made managing director.

Edmund Nuttall Holdings and Edmund Nuttall: Mr Julius F W Baller has become a director.

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REJECT THE GUINNESS OFFER

Here's why

BELL'S has growth potential

- * BELL'S had 4.3 per cent by volume of total Scotch Whisky industry exports to the ten largest export markets (excluding the U.S.A.) during calendar 1984. In calendar 1982, our share was only 3.5 per cent. There is substantial scope for profitable growth abroad as BELL'S moves towards the 20 per cent market share which BELL'S has already achieved in the U.K.
- * BELL'S is moving ahead in the U.S.A. - the acquisition of Wellington Importers, the hiring of key personnel and the promotional expenditure have all been necessary steps towards future success.
- * The newly reopened Piccadilly Hotel can again contribute to profits. BELL'S is determined to maximise profitability and capital appreciation from its hotels business.
- * BELL'S has a record of strong cash flow. Future cash flow will be available to invest in new sources of profits.

BELL'S is a sound investment

- * BELL'S ordinary shares have an above-average dividend yield. At the Guinness paper offer value of 271p, BELL'S shares have a dividend yield of 4.22 per cent based on the dividend forecast of 8p (net) per ordinary share for 1984/85. That is a higher yield than shown by the FT-Actuaries Industrial Group (which is 4.04 per cent) and is higher than the yield on Guinness ordinary stock units, which is 3.78 per cent.
- * BELL'S is forecasting a further increase of not less than 15 per cent in dividends for the current financial year.
- * The average price earnings multiple of industrial company shares is 12.93. With that multiple applied to non-hotel profits alone, the value of a BELL'S share would be 210p with the value of the hotels in the price for nothing.
- * The BELL'S team of Board and management remains dedicated to the successful growth of the BELL'S business.

(a) The source of the figures for total Scotch Whisky industry exports to the ten largest export markets excluding the U.S.A. was the Scotch Whisky Association.

(b) The statement of BELL'S strong cash flow is based on the net cash inflow from the on-going businesses of BELL'S, before acquisitions of fixed assets and investments and excluding proceeds from disposals, over the three years ended 30th June, 1984, of £58.1 million.

(c) The value of Guinness' paper offer of 271p per BELL'S share was based on the middle market closing price of Guinness ordinary stock units of 272p as shown in The Stock Exchange Daily Official List dated 19th August, 1985 (being the latest practicable date before publication of this advertisement) and by valuing the proposed 8¼ per cent convertible unsecured loan stock of Guinness at par.

(d) The source of the average price earnings multiple of industrial company shares was the FT-Actuaries Industrial Group Index on 19th August, 1985. The earnings per share to which this multiple was applied were the estimated profits after taxation and preference dividends of the Non-Hotels Group set out in the letter dated 5th August, 1985, divided by the existing issued ordinary share capital of BELL'S.

(e) The yield on Guinness ordinary stock units is based on the forecast dividend of 7.2p (net) for the year ending 30th September, 1985 and the price of Guinness ordinary stock units calculated in accordance with paragraph (c) above.

IGNORE THE GUINNESS SLOGANS

The Guinness bid worth 245p cash or 271p in paper IS NOT ENOUGH

Guinness' publicity masks its basic weaknesses in business and management methods

REJECT THE GUINNESS OFFER RETAIN BELL'S FOR YOURSELVES

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WALL STREET

	Aug 20	Aug 19
AMF Inc	13⅜	13⅜
AMR	49⅜	48
Allied Corp	41¾	41⅝
Allied Stores	56¾	56¾
Allis Chalmers	4¾	4⅝
Alcoa	35½	35¼
Amax Inc	15⅞	15⅞
Amerada Hess	27⅝	27⅜
Am Brands	60	59¾
Am Broadcast	114⅜	59¾
Am Can	58⅝	58⅝
Am Cyanamid	56⅞	55⅜
Am Elec Power	21⅝	21¾
Am Express	42⅛	41⅞
Am Home	59⅛	58¾
Am Hospital	46⅛	45⅞
Am Motors	3⅛	3
Am Standard	29⅝	29⅝
Am Telephone	21⅝	20⅞
Amoco	65½	64
Armco Steel	10⅝	10⅝
Asarco	22	22
Ashland Oil	32	32¼
Atlntic Richfield	59⅛	58⅝
Avon Products	22	22
Bankers Tst NY	67	44
Bankamerica	15½	15⅝
Bank of Boston	49⅝	49½
Bank of NY	43⅝	67
Beatrice Foods	33½	33⅝
Bethlehem Steel	18	17⅞
Boeing	47½	48⅝
Boise Cascade	45⅝	45¼
Borden	39	38¾
Borg Warner	22¾	22⅝
Bristol Myers	59⅛	58⅝
BP	29¾	29¾
Burlington Ind	27⅞	27⅝
Burlington Nthn	63	60¾
Burroughs	64	62
Campbell Soup	37½	37⅝
Canadian Pacific	13⅝	13⅝
Caterpillar	36	36
Celanese	118⅝	117¼
Central SW	25	24¾
Champion	23	22⅞
Chase Manhat	56¾	56¼
Chem Bank NY	39⅞	39¾
Chevron	37½	38⅛
Chrysler	35⅞	35⅞
Citicorp	46⅞	46⅝
Clark Equip	32¼	32¼
Coca Cola	72	72
Colgate	26¼	26⅛
CBS	111⅝	111⅞
Columbia Gas	31⅞	31½
Combustion Eng	29¾	30
Comwlth Edison	30½	30⅛
Cons Edison	33⅞	33⅝
Cons Nat Gas	41⅛	41⅝
Cons Power	7¼	7⅛
Control Data	22½	21⅞
Corning Glass	45¾	44⅞
CPC Intl	43	43⅛
Crane	36⅝	36⅝
Crown Zeller	38½	38¼
Dart & Kraft	35¾	35
Deere	28⅞	28⅞
Delta Air	48⅞	49
Detroit Edison	16⅛	15⅞
Digital Equip	101½	99⅞
Disney	89⅝	88¾
Dow Chemical	35½	35¼
Dresser Ind	21⅛	20⅞
Duke Power	31⅞	31½
Du Pont	57¾	57¼
Eastern Air	10⅝	10½
Eastman Kodak	44¼	44
Eaton Corp	56	56
Emerson Elect	72¼	71⅞
Evans Prod	1⅞	1⅞

	Aug 20	Aug 19
Exxon Corp	51⅛	50⅞
Fed Dept Stores	57¼	57⅝
Firestone	19¾	19⅝
Fst Chicago	23⅞	23⅞
Fst Intrst Bncp	48⅛	48⅛
Fst Penn Corp	6½	6½
Ford	43⅞	43½
GAF Corp	32⅝	32
GTE Corp	40	39⅝
Gen Corp	45¼	44¼
Gen Dynamics	78½	78¼
Gen Electric	61⅛	60¼
Gen Foods	78½	78⅛
Gen Mills	55⅝	55½
Gen Motors	67	66¼
Gen Pub Util NY	13⅛	13⅛
Genesco	3⅛	3⅛
Georgia Pacific	22¾	22⅝
Gillette	60¾	60¼
Goodrich	32½	31⅛
Goodyear	28¼	28⅛
Gould Inc	25⅝	25¼
Grace	43⅝	43
Gt Atltc & Pacific	15⅛	16
Greyhound	27⅝	27½
Grumman Corp	31⅞	31⅝
Gulf & West	39⅞	39⅝
Heinz H. J.	55⅝	55⅛
Hercules	38⅛	37
Hewlett-Pkrd	35½	35⅝
Honeywell	63¾	63⅝
IC Inds	32⅝	32¾
Ingersoll	51	51⅛
Inland Steel	24⅞	24⅛
IBM	127½	125⅞
Int Harvester	8⅛	8½
INCO	14¼	14⅝
Int Paper	49⅛	48½
Int Tel Tel	32¼	32⅛
Irving Bank	38¼	38½
Jim Walter	35⅝	35
Johnson & John	46½	45⅞
Kaiser Alumin	16⅛	16⅛
Kerr McGee	29⅛	29¼
Kimberly Clark	61½	60⅝
K Mart	32⅝	33¾
Kroger	43⅛	43
L.T.V. Corp	8⅛	8½
Litton	78½	79
Lockheed	52¾	52⅞
Lucky Stores	21½	21⅝
Manuf Hanover	37¾	37⅞
Manville Cp	5⅞	6⅛
Mapco	36⅝	36⅝
Marine Midland	31½	31
Martin Marietta	39⅛	38⅝
Masco	33	33
McDonnell	80½	79¾
Mead	40	39¾
Merck	116¼	115
Minnesota Mng	77¼	76⅞
Mobil Oil	29⅝	29¼
Monsanto	51	50¼
Morgan J. P.	49⅛	48¼
Motorola	35⅞	34¾
NCR Corp	34½	33
NL Industries	10⅞	10¾
Nabisco	83¾	83¾
Nat Distillers	32¼	31¾
Nat Med Ent	25⅞	25⅝
Norfolk South	67½	67
NW Bancorp	28½	28¼
Occidental Pet	32	31¾
Ogden	31⅝	31½
Olin Corp	30¾	30⅝
Owens-Illinois	48¼	47¾
Pacific Gas Elec	18⅝	18⅝
Pan Am	7¾	7⅝
Penney J. C.	48⅞	48¼
Pennzoil	46½	45¾
Pepsico	58⅛	57½

	Aug 20	Aug 19
Pfizer	48⅞	48
Phelps Dodge	21¾	21¾
Philip Morris	81⅞	80⅞
Phillips Petrol	12½	12⅝
Polaroid	31¼	31⅝
PPG Ind	44⅝	43⅝
Proctor Gamble	58⅞	58
Pub Ser El & Gas	30⅛	29⅞
Raytheon	49⅛	49¼
RCA Corp	43⅝	43⅝
Reynolds Ind	27⅝	28⅝
Reynolds Metal	35⅝	35¼
Rockwell Int	40⅝	40⅞
Royal Dutch	60¼	59½
Safeways	31⅝	30⅛
Sara Lee	39⅛	39⅝
SFE Sopac	31½	31½
SCM	55	54
Schlumberger	37	36½
Scott Paper	41⅛	41⅛
Seagram	38⅞	38¾
Sears Roebuck	35⅝	35⅛
Shell Trans	37½	37½
Signal Co	41¼	41⅛
Singer	35⅝	35⅛
Smithkline Beck	65⅛	66¼
Sony	16	15⅞
Sth Cal Edison	24⅞	24¼
Sperry Corp	49	48¾
Std Oil Ohio	46	46
Sterling Drug	29⅞	29⅝
Stevens J. P.	21¼	20⅞
Sun Comp	47⅞	47⅝
Teledyne	247¼	247⅝
Tenneco	40½	40⅛
Texaco	35⅝	35⅝
Texas East Corp	31¾	31¾
Texas Inst	87½	87⅝
Texas Utilities	29⅝	29⅞
Textron	54⅝	53½
TWA	18⅞	18⅞
Travelers Corp	44	43⅞
TRW Inc	75½	75⅝
UAL Inc	56⅝	56⅛
Union Carbide	52½	52⅛
Unocal	29	28⅝
Un Pacific Corp	48⅝	47¾
Uniroyal	21⅝	21⅝
United Brands	18⅝	18⅝
US Steel	30	29¼
Utd Technol	41	41⅝
Wachovia	32⅝	32⅝
Warner Lambert	38½	38½
Wells Fargo	55¼	55⅛
Westinghse Elec	34⅝	33⅝
Weyerhauser	28	27⅝
Whirlpool	46½	46½
Woolworth	47⅝	47⅝
Xerox Corp	52¼	52¼
Zenith	18⅝	18½
CANADIAN PRICES		
Abitibi	20⅝	20⅛
Alcan Alumin	36¼	35⅝
Algoma Steel	21¼	20½
Bell Telephone	42¼	42⅝
Can Pacific	18⅝	18⅝
Cominco	13⅛	13¼
Cons Bathurst	18⅝	18½
Gulf Oil	19¾	19¾
Hawker/Sid Can	20⅛	20⅛
Hudson Bay Min	7⅜	23¼
Imasco	26⅝	26½
Imperial Oil	50⅞	51⅝
Int Pipe	41¾	41⅞
Mass.-Fergsn	3.35	3.15
Royal Trustco	22¼	21⅞
Seagram	54	53¾
Steel Co	21⅛	21¼
Thomson N 'A'	21¾	22⅝
Walker Hiram	32¾	32¾
WCT	17⅝	17¼

● Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. b Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Early gain for Dow

New York (Reuter) – The stock market rose in early trading yesterday, after the gains of the previous session.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 2.46 points to 1326.16. Advances led declines by five to four on turnover of 9.49 million shares. The New York Stock Exchange composite index edged higher.

Pan Am led the actives, up ⅜ to 8⅛. Ramada Inns followed, up ¼ to 9⅛.

In the technology group Hewlett Packard was up ¼ to 35¾ in active trading.

In the airlines, Val Inc was unchanged at 56⅜. Amr Corp was up ¼ to 49 and Eastern Airlines was up ⅛ to 10⅞.

AT & T was up ⅛ to 21½. Other telephone issues were mixed. Bell South was unchanged at 40⅜. Bell Atlantic was up ⅜ to 90⅞. Pacific Telesis was down ⅛ to 73⅝.

Among other blue chips, US Steel rose ¼ to 30¼, American Express was up ¼ to 42½, General Electric was up ⅛ to 61¼ and Eastman Kodak fell ⅛ to 44⅛.

Revlon Inc was up ½ to 46⅝. Revlon is the target of a hostile takeover bid by Pantry Pride.

Among transportation issues, Burlington Northern, the subject of takeover speculation was down ⅛ to 62⅞. Norfolk Southern was unchanged at 67½.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Sep 85	88.85	88.86	88.78	88.78	613
Dec 85	89.66	89.69	89.64	89.64	244
Mar 86	89.95	89.95	89.89	89.91	100
Jun 86	89.89	89.89	89.85	89.85	30
Sep 86	89.85	89.85	89.85	89.80	7
Dec 86	89.84	89.84	89.84	89.80	7
Previous day's total open interest 7320					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Sep 85	91.98	92.03	91.98	92.01	1506
Dec 85	91.69	91.76	91.67	91.71	4256
Mar 86	91.29	91.35	91.29	91.32	133
Jun 86	90.91	90.95	90.91	90.94	51
Sep 86	90.54	90.59	90.54	90.58	20
Dec 86	90.19	90.26	90.19	90.25	10
Mar 87	NT			89.93	0
Jun 87	NT			89.65	0
Previous day's total open interest 20126					
US Treasury Bond					
Sep 85	77-12	77-18	77-08	77-08	2282
Dec 85	76-15	76-15	76-08	76-08	235
Mar 86	NT			7₈ ⅞ –⁰/	
Previous day's total open interest 2902					
Long Gilt					
Sep 85	112-01	112-03	1-26	111-27	1042
Dec 85	112-09	112-09	112-08	112-03	26
Mar 86	NT			112-19	0
Jun 86	NT				0
Previous day's total open interest 3605					
FT-SE 100					
Sep 85	131.20	131.45	130.90	131.35	123
Dec 85	131.75	131.75	131.75	131.85	3
Previous day's total open interest 1543					

COMMODITIES

Cocoa futures were steady yesterday, reflecting New York's trend and currency considerations. Traders said the latest market report by Dill and Duffus, lowering its 1984/85 (Oct/Sept) world crop surplus forecast to 95,000 tonnes, from the 98,000 estimated in June, was in line with market expectations and had minimal impact.

British consumption of copper in all forms was 37,655 tonnes during June.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
Rubber in p per kilo; Soyabean meal, coffee and cocoa in £ per tonne; Gas-oil and sugar in US $ per tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

RUBBER
Sep 620
Oct 850
Nov 850
Dec 850
Jan Unquoted
Feb Unquoted
Mar Unquoted
Apr Unquoted
May Unquoted
Oct/Dec 850
Jan/Mar Unquoted
Apr/Jun Unquoted
Vol: Nil.

SUGAR
(Raw)
No 5 at 16.25
Oct 155.80–155.20
Dec 153.80–153.00
Mar 153.80–152.80
May 156.80–155.00
Aug Unquoted
Oct Unquoted
Dec Unquoted
Vol: Nil.

SUGAR
(White)
Oct 112.8–12.6
Dec 116.0–15.4
Mar 124.6–24.4
May 128.8–28.2
Aug 134.0–32.2
Oct 139.8–38.4
Vol: 1,742.

COCOA
Sep 1616–14
Dec 1725–24
Mar 1738–36
May 1750–49
July 1760–58
Sep 1770–65
Dec 1775–65
Vol: 282/2377.

COFFEE
Sep 1662–60
Nov 1695–93
Jan 1732–29
Mar 1753–55
May 1780–70
Jul 1790–85
Sep 1810–1795
Vol: 279/1821.

SOYABEAN
Aug Unquoted
Oct 111.6–11.5
Dec 115.1–15.0
Feb 119.5–19.0
Apr 120.0–19.5
Jun 120.6–20.5
Aug 124.0–21.0
Vol: 348.

GAS OIL
Sep 237.50–35.75
Oct 234.25–34.00
Nov 234.00–33.75
Dec 233.75–33.50
Jan 233.00–32.75
Feb 231.50–31.00
Mar 232.00–25.00
Apr 222.00–21.75
May 225.00–17.00
Vol: 2,879.

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official turnover figures
Prices in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE
Cash 1004.00-1005.00
Three months 1032.00-1032.50
Vol T/O nil
Tone idle

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 974.00-977.00
Three months 1004.00-1006.00
Vol T/O nil
Tone idle

TIN STANDARD
Cash 9095-9100
Three months 9060-9061
Vol T/O 880
Tone Steady

TIN HIGH-GRADE
Cash 9095-9100
Three months 9065-9070
Vol T/O nil
Tone idle

LEAD
Cash 298.50-299.50
Three months 301.00-301.50
Vol —
Tone —

ZINC STANDARD
Cash 524.00-525.00
Three months 529.00-530.00
Vol T/O 1,875
Tone steady

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 535.00-536.00
Three months 539.00-541.00
Vol T/O nil
Tone idle

SILVER LARGE
Cash 450.00-451.00
Three months 463.00-464.00
Vol T/O 24
Tone quiet

SILVER SMALL
Cash 450.00-451.00
Three months 463.00-464.00
Vol T/O nil
Tone idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 735.00-736.00
Three months 759.00-759.00
Vol T/O 3,300
Tone steady

NICKEL
Cash 3510-3520
Three months 3570-3575
Vol T/O 174
Tone quiet

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 21
GB: Cattle, 94.47p per kg lw (–2.47).
GB: Sheep, 146.78p per kg est d c w (–15.46.
GB: Pigs, 76.55p per kg lw (–3.47).

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 8.5 per cent, ave. price, 94.68p (–2.35).
Sheep nos. up 2.5 per cent, ave. price, 150.27p (–3.47).
Pig nos. down 6.9 per cent, ave. price, 76.55p (–3.47).

Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 12.0 per cent, ave. price, 93.78p (–2.86).
Sheep nos. down 12.0 per cent, ave. price, 140.20p (–15.76).

BALTIC FREIGHT INDEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report
$10 per index point

	High/Low	Close
Oct 85	840.0-835.0	838.0
Jan 86	898.0-895.0	896.0
Apr 86	939.0-939.0	939.0
Jul 86	- -	880.0
Oct 86	- -	980.0
Jan 87	1000.0-1000.0	1000.0
Apr 87	- -	1,025.0
Jul 87	980.0-980.0	980.0

Spot: 731.5
Vol: 86 lots.

The figures for Grain, London meat and potato futures refer to Tuesday's trading.

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Sep	£100.10	£99.90
Nov	£102.65	£103.30
Jan	£105.30	£106.85
Mar	£109.55	£109.75
May	£113.05	£112.45
Jul	£115.30	—

Volume:
Wheat 345
Barley 309

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Live Pig Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Sep	100.0	unquoted
Oct	105.5	unquoted
Nov	108.5	unquoted
Jan	97.0	unquoted
Feb	98.0	unquoted
Mar	98.0	unquoted
Apr	98.5	unquoted
May	96.0	unquoted
Jun	97.0	unquoted
Jul	unquoted	unquoted
Aug	unquoted	unquoted

Vol: 0

Pig meat
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	109.9	110.5
Nov	111.6	111.5
Feb	101.1	100.5
Apr	101.2	101.0
Jun	101.2	101.0
Aug	100.7	100.2

Vol: 42

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	63.80	62.80
Feb	73.50	72.00
Apr	86.00	86.60
May	91.30	92.40

Vol: 1,013

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Currency markets spent an extremely quiet day yesterday, with the leading units all trading well within established ranges.

Sterling ended the day at 1.3910, against 1.3887 at the previous close, having moved within a spread of less than a cent against the dollar all day. The trade-weighted index slipped to 81.7, against 81.8.

The pound eased slightly against the mark, to 3.8555 (3.8597).

Dealers said the market lacked any clear investment incentive, having already digested Tuesday's higher-than-expected US GNP figures for the second quarter.

US durable goods orders for July and the latest US money supply figures, due today may spark off some interest.

The long-term trend remains against the dollar with the market still unconvinced of the good outlook for the US economy.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range August 21	Market rates close August 21	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.3885-1.3918	$1.3905-1.3915	0.48-0.45c prem	1.19-1.14c prem
Montreal	$1.8807-1.8865	$1.8807-1.8841	0.48-0.38c prem	1.15-1.01c prem
Amsterdam	4.3391-4.35295	3.3406-4.34946	2⅛-2c prem	6¼-5¼c prem
Brussels	78.03-78.28f	78.08-78.20f	19-10c prem	33-15c prem
Copenhagen	13.9674-14.0112k	13.9811-13.9982k	4⅝-3⅝ore prem	9¾-8⅝ore prem
Dublin	1.2392-1.2453p	1.2392-1.2402p	21-6p prem	52-30p prem
Frankfurt	3.8518-3.8652m	3.8531-3.8579m	2⅞-2⅝pf prem	6⅞-6⅝pf prem
Lisbon	228.94-232.21e	229.27-232.21e	60-415e disc	420-1480e disc
Madrid	227.00-227.69p	227.15-227.49p	35-180p disc	185-470p disc
Milan	2580.80-2589.92lr	2585.28-2589.92lr	2 prem-3lr disc	8-16lr disc
Oslo	11.3747-11.4424k	11.4272-11.4424k	⅛-1ore disc	2½-3½ore disc
Paris	11.7580-11.8070f	11.7718-11.7942f	1⅛-⅝c prem	1 prem-1c disc
Stockholm	11.4865-11.5356k	11.5203-11.5356k	2⅜-3⅛ore disc	9⅞-10ore disc
Tokyo	328.87-330.38y	329.45-329.83y	1⅝-1⅛y prem	4⅛-1y prem
Vienna	27.07-27.15sch	27.11-27.15sch	15½-14gro prem	41½-37½gro prem
Zurich	3.1562-3.1692f	3.1576-3.1620f	2⅛-1⅞c prem	5½-5⅛c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down 0.1 at 81.7 (day's range 81.7-81.8).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.1108-1.1130
Australia dollar	1.9657-1.9700
Bahrain dinar	0.5215-0.5255
Brazil cruzeiro*	9400.14-9434.71
Cyprus pound	0.7960-0.8060
Finland marka	8.2060-8.2460
Greece drachma	181.55-183.55
Hong Kong dollar	10.8470-10.8630
India rupee	16.40-16.60
Iraq dinar	n.a.
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.4180-0.4220
Malaysia dollar	3.4209-3.4263
Mexico peso	465-490
New Zealand dollar	2.5780-2.5852
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.0510-5.0910
Singapore dollar	3.0978-3.1029
South Africa rand	3.45-3.48
United Arab Emirates dirham	5.0800-5.1200

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.1200-1.1210
Singapore	2.2290-2.2310
Malaysia	2.4615-2.4635
Australia	0.7060-0.7070
Canada	1.3540-1.3550
Sweden	8.2500-8.2600
Norway	8.1900-8.2000
Denmark	10.0300-10.0400
West Germany	2.7680-2.7690
Switzerland	2.2670-2.2700
Netherlands	3.1120-3.1140
France	8.4425-8.4575
Japan	236.90-237.00
Italy	1853.0-1857.0
Belgium(Comm)	56.00-56.10
Hong Kong	7.8050-7.8100
Portugal	166.0-167.0
Spain	163.50-163.70
Austria	19.50-19.52

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Money stayed expensive and period rates showed little change yesterday. Day-to-day money commanded 12⅛-12 per cent at the outset and soon firmed to 12¼-12 per cent.

Early afternoon saw 12½-¼ per cent and 15-14 per cent was reached towards the finish. The close was about 13-12 per cent in thin trading. Local authorities failed to show much interest.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 11½
Finance House 12½

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 12½ Low 11¾
Week fixed: 11¾

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	11⅛	2 months	11³⁄₁₆
3 months	11¹⁄₁₆	3 months	10¹⁵⁄₁₆

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)

1 month	11¹³⁄₃₂-11⅜	2 months	11¼-11³⁄₁₆
3 months	11⅛-11¹⁄₁₆	6 months	10⁷⁄₁₆-10⅜

Trade Bills (Discount %)

1 month	12¹⁄₃₂	2 months	11⅞
3 months	11¾	6 months	11¹⁄₁₆

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 12¼-12⅛ close 13-12

1 week	12⅛-11⅞	6 months	11⅝-11⁹⁄₁₆
1 month	11¹³⁄₁₆-11¾	9 months	11¹⁄₁₆-10¹⁵⁄₁₆
3 months	11½-11¹⁵⁄₃₂	12 months	11-10⅞

Local Authority Deposits (%)

2 days	11¾	7 days	11⅝
1 month	11⅝	3 months	11⅝
6 months	11	12 months	10¾

Local Authority Bonds (%)

1 month	12½-12	2 months	12-11¾
3 months	11⅞-11⅝	6 months	11½-11¼
9 months	11⅜-11⅛	12 months	11¼-11

Sterling CDs (%)

1 month	11¹³⁄₁₆-11¹¹⁄₁₆	3 months	11⁵⁄₁₆-11³⁄₁₆
6 months	10⅞-10¾	12 months	10⅝-10⅝

Dollar CDs (%)

1 month	7.80-7.70	3 months	7.85-7.75
6 months	8.00-7.90	12 months	8.40-8.30

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	8-7
7 days	7⅞-7⅝	1 month	7⅞-7¾
3 months	8-7⅞	6 months	8³⁄₁₆-8¹⁄₁₆
Deutschmark		call	5-4
7 days	4⁷⁄₁₆-4⁵⁄₁₆	1 month	4⁷⁄₁₆-4⁵⁄₁₆
3 months	4½-4⅜	6 months	4⅝-4½
French Franc		call	10½-9½
7 days	9⅞-9⅝	1 month	10⅝-10⅜
3 months	11⅝-11⅜	6 months	11⅝-11½
Swiss Franc		call	2½-1½
7 days	1⅝-1⅜	1 month	4³⁄₁₆-4¹⁄₁₆
3 months	4⅝-4⅜	6 months	4⅞-4¾
Yen		call	6½-5½
7 days	6¼-6⅛	1 month	6⅝-6¼
3 months	6⁷⁄₁₆-6⁵⁄₁₆	6 months	6⅝-6¼

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin):
$338.00-339.50 (£243.25-224.50)
Sovereigns* (new):
$279.00-280.00 (£57.75-57.50)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period 3 July, 1985, to 6 August, 1985, inclusive: 11.989 per cent.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
101	87	Alisa	91	●	..	2.6	2.8	..
698	580	Alliance	640		..	26.1n	4.1	..
155	118	Amer Trust	122		-1	4.1	3.4	..
302	245	Ang Amer Sec	286	●	..	8.1	3.1	..
145	123	Ashdown	131		..	4.2b	3.2	..
120	88	Atlantic Assets	105		..	0.8	0.8	..
102	83	Baillie Gifford	92½		+1½	3.5b	3.8	..
194	152	Berry	164		+1	1.4b	0.9	..
178	152	Border & Sthm	159		..	4.7	3.0	..
215	198	Br Assets	205		+1	9.9b	4.8	..
30½	25	Br Empire Sec	30½		..	1.3	4.2	..
373	312	British Inv	331		+1	20.3	6.1	..
75	64	Brunner	72		+1	3.1b	4.4	..
89	72	Charter Agency	77		..	3.2b	4.2	..
685	525	Continental	608		..	28.6	4.7	..
178	119	Crescent Japan	131		+2	1.1	0.9	..
485	365	Delta	370		..	..	..	..
109	97	Derby Inc	103	●	..	10.9	10.6	..
105	95	Do Cap	103		..			..
295	264	Drayton Cons	288		+4	13.4b	4.7	..
148	112	Drayton Far East	121	●	..	1.6	1.3	..
420	348	Drayton Japan	364		+2	3.8e	1.0	..
412	363	Drayton Premier	408	●	+1	20.7b	5.1	..
183	180	Dundee Lon	165		..	7.4b	4.5	..
118	89	Edin Amer Asset	99		+1	0.8	0.8	..
117	103	Edinburgh	113		+1	4.1b	3.6	..
292	254	Electric Gen	285		+5	5.1	1.9	..
127	114	English Int	118		..	5.0	4.2	..
78	65	English Scot	77		..	1.8	2.3	..
108½	91	English NY	102	●	+1	3.6	3.5	..
87	78	F & C Alliance	81		..	2.4	3.0	..
166	122	F&C Pacific	125		+1	5.4	4.3	..
228	188	Family	215		..	9.9	4.6	..
279	242	First Scot Amer	260		..	12.9b	4.9	..
185	136	First Un Gen	135		-5	8.7	6.5	..
580	435	Fleming American	447		..	7.5	1.7	..
268	235	Fleming Claver	265	●	..	12.8	4.8	..
265	233	Fleming Enterprise	252	●	+2	12.1	4.8	..
109	78	Fleming Far East	79		+1	1.4	1.8	..
113	100	Fleming Fledgling	108	●	+1	3.6	3.3	..
580	405	Fleming Japan	418		+5	5.7	1.4	..
120	105	Fleming Mercantile	113		..	4.3b	3.8	..
134	104	Fleming Overseas	105	●	..	3.9	3.7	..
183	120	Fleming Tech	129	●	..	3.3	2.6	..
334	272	Fleming Universal	288		..	7.1	2.5	..
74	59	For Col	63½		-½	2.0b	3.1	..
121	92	GBC Capital	94		+1			..
165	122	GT Japan	122		..	2.0b	1.6	..
124	97	General Funds	114	●	+1	2.7	2.4	..
261	230	General Cons	246		+4	14.3b	5.8	..
125	103½	Glasgow Stock	110	●	..	2.9b	2.7	..

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
278	251	Globe	275		+1	14.1	5.1	..
248	202	Greenfriar	227		+2	2.3	1.0	..
275	220	Gresham House	250	●	..	6.3	2.5	..
184	138	Hambros	158		..	6.0	3.8	..
257	225	Hill (P)	245		..	13.8	5.5	..
540	448	Invest-in Success	458	●	..	7.8	1.7	..
235	208	Inv Cap	222		..	5.2b	2.3	..
62	48½	Japan Assets	48½		+½	0.1	0.1	..
181½	127	Lake View	134		+2	3.3	2.5	..
191	162	Law Debenture	173	●	..	2.8b	5.0	..
88	68	Lon Merchant Sec	78		..	2.8	3.6	..
89	65	Lon Trust	80		..	6.1	7.8	..
98	88	Merchants	87		..	5.4b	6.5	..
174	135	Monks	144		+1	3.4b	2.4	..
119	106	Murray Income	116		-½	6.4e	5.8	..
109½	95	Murray Growth	108		..	2.0	1.9	..
134	112	Murray Intl	122	●	..	6.4	5.3	..
189	163	Murray Small	180	●	..	3.7b	2.1	..
292	268	Murray Venture	277		..	6.3b	2.3	..
393	354	New Court	359		+1	20.4	5.7	..
77	61	New Darien Oil	62		..	0.5	0.8	..
178	153	1928	161		-1	6.7	4.1	..
43½	37	Nrthrng Inc 83	43½		..	3.9	8.9	..
243	157	Nwr Tokyo	171		+2	2.1	1.2	..
324	247	Nth Atlantic Sec	254		..	4.6	1.8	..
123	88	Nth Sea Assets	88		..	0.7	0.8	..
263	234	Nthn Amer	243		..	7.7b	3.2	..
139	125	Outwich	131		+1	4.3	3.3	..
101	94	Pacific Assets	94		-1	..	..	..
43	33	Do Wnts	34		..	..	..	..
48	32	Personal Assets	40	●	..	0.3	0.7	..
340	282	Raeburn	305		+1	14.1b	4.6	..
137	125	River & Merc	133	●	+1	7.9b	5.9	..
236	198	River Plate	218	●	+1	10.7	4.9	..
192	168	Robeco	175		+1	..	..	..
171	150	Rolinco	158		+2	..	..	..
287	228	Romney	235	●	..	6.8b	2.9	..
11⅛	10	Rorento	£10[illegible]		+[illegible]	..	..	..
113	95	St Andrews	105	●	-1	4.0b	3.8	..
273	235	Scottish	271	●	..	7.8	2.9	..
249	211	Scot American	246		..	8.4	3.4	..
83½	73	Scot Eastern	82		+½	2.9b	3.5	..
408	348	Scot Mtge	387		..	10.7b	2.9	..
243	204	Scot Nat	223		..	6.4b	2.9	..
153	119	Scot Nthn	150		..	5.4	3.6	..
393	354½	Scot Merc 'A'	385		..	20.0	5.5	..
596	500	Second Alliance	540		..	20.4b	3.8	..
123	108	Sec Of Scotland	122		..	5.7b	4.7	..
78	64	Smaller Cps	67		..	2.4	3.6	..
58	32	Stewart Enterp	57	●	..	0.6	1.5	..
146	110	Stockholders	115		..	3.8	3.1	..
100	76	Tr Australia	83		..	2.9	3.5	..

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
89	76	Tr City Of Lon Dfd	89	●	..	5.6b	6.3	..
155	137	Tr Ind & Gen	147			5.0	3.4	..
235	205	Tr Natural Res	205		-2	10.7	5.1	..
111	84	Tr North America	86		+1	2.6b	3.0	..
146½	112	Tr Pacific Basin	117		..	1.4	1.2	..
147	129	Tr Property	146		..	5.1	3.5	..
101	79	Tr Tech	85		+1	2.5	3.0	..
139	124	Tr Trustees	135	●	+1	8.3b	4.6	..
134	111	Temple Bar	123	●	..	7.1b	5.8	..
250	211	Throgmorton	225		+1	10.7b	4.6	..
290	248	Throg Secured Cap	275		+1	..	..	..
157	142	Trans Oceanic	145		+1	4.9b	3.4	..
129	105	Tribune	110	●	..	3.3	3.0	..
78½	74	Triplevest Inc	78		..	13.4	17.1	..
215	185	US Debenture	205		..	9.3	4.5	..
82	67½	Viking Resources	67½		+½	1.6	2.6	..
82	61	Westpool	78		..	2.0	2.5	..
110	87	Winterbottom Energy	87		..	1.0b	1.1	..
159	130	Witan	148½		-½	3.9	2.6	..
284	255	Yeoman	268	●	..	13.8b	5.1	..

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
410	280	Akroyd & Smithers	285		..	..	..	11.1
67½	29¹⁄₁₆	American Express	£30¾		+1	..	..	
33½	19	Argyle	33		..	..	..	16.8
65	52	Boustead	63		..	..	..	
115	88	Britannia Arrow	97		+1	3.6	3.7	15.7
119	78	CJR Pacific	84	●	..	0.5	0.6	77.1
41	22	Do Warrants	22		..			
14⅝	8⅞	Daily Mail	£11⅝	●	..	60.0	5.1	12.6
13⅞	8½	Do 'A'	£11⅝	●	..	60.0	5.2	12.5
129	113	Electra	129		..	5.3	4.1	32.8
110	80	Eng Assoc	110		..	4.3	3.9	14.3
249	176	Exco	199		..	4.3	2.2	15.9
85	68	Exploration	71		..	3.0	4.2	12.6
12⅝	10	First Charlotte	10⅝		..	0.1	0.7	
853	700	Framlington	730		..	12.9	1.8	18.7
80	58	Frost (J & D)	72		+2	5.0	6.9	10.0
105	44	Goode (D & M)	98		+1	1.8	1.8	17.3
880	578	Henderson Admin	790		-10	22.9	2.9	11.4
675	368	M & G	600		..	19.3	3.2	23.8
380	217	Mercantile House	292	●	..	18.6	6.4	7.3
405	300	Mills & Allen	370		+6	22.9	6.2	11.9
147	93	Smith Brothers	142		-4	8.6	6.0	15.5

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 30, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	113.5	120.1c	-0.1	9.59
High Inc Equity	71.7	76.2●	+0.6	6.50
Worldwide Bond	149.1	158.6●	+0.3	6.12
American Growth	131.7	140.1	+1.4	2.86
Asian Pacific	45.3	49.3	-0.6	2.54
Assets & Earns	75.9	81.1	+0.3	3.42
Capital Reserve	55.1	58.4	..	..
Comm & Energy	72.4	77.8c	-0.5	2.87
European Capital	49.1	52.2	+0.4	2.87
General	105.6	112.8●	+0.5	3.76
Japan	142.2	152.8	+1.7	..
UK Growth Inc	71.8	77.1	+0.3	2.00
Do Accum	102.0	109.6	+0.4	..
US Emerging Co's	52.8	56.7	+0.5	0.46
Equitas Progress	161.0	172.1	+0.6	3.85
AITKEN HUME FUNDS MANAGEMENT 30, City Road, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
American Tech	102.9	110.1	+0.2	0.10
Pacific	118.7	127.0	..	0.09
Sec Income Fnd	137.9	147.6●	+0.6	5.84
Special Situations	151.7	162.3	+1.5	1.56
Energy & Res	28.4	30.3	..	0.10
American Majors	56.7	60.6	+0.5	2.50
Small Co's	29.9	31.9	+0.4	1.97
Japan Technology	49.5	52.9	+0.6	0.10
International Income	49.8	53.2●	+0.1	7.00
Exempt	425.5	455.0	..	2.36
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Hse, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 211455 & 0277 229123				
First Trust	178.2	189.8●	+0.6	3.74
Growth & Income	108.2	115.1	+0.4	4.06
Capital Trust	192.0	204.5	+0.8	2.82
Balanced	288.4	305.0	+1.6	3.81
Accum Trust	437.5	465.9	+2.3	3.11
American Income	26.4	28.2●	+0.2	4.93
High Income Tst	191.4	203.8	+1.0	5.58
Equity Income	102.4	109.1●	+0.5	6.03
High Yield	112.8	120.1	+0.6	6.56
Govt Secs Trust	28.9	30.1	..	9.57
International	57.4	61.1●	+0.2	2.32
Japan Fund	54.2	57.7	+0.5	0.01
Pacific Trust	107.8	114.8	-0.4	1.72
Amer Spcl Sits	56.1	59.7	+0.5	1.93
Secs Of Amer Tst	169.5	180.6	+1.5	1.15
Ald Asset Value	171.5	182.6	+0.5	3.70
Gilt Growth	33.3	34.8	..	3.25
Smaller Co's	97.2	103.5●	+0.4	2.97
2nd Smaller Co's	130.6	139.1	+0.7	3.15
Recovery Trust	59.4	63.3	+0.1	2.95
Met Min & Cmdty	82.8	88.0	+0.3	2.35
O'seas Earnings	148.0	157.6	+1.1	3.76
Technology Tst	72.4	77.1	+0.7	1.95
Income Exempt	98.1	104.0	+0.3	6.65
Exempt Smaller Co's	169.7	180.0	+0.7	3.43
USA Exempt Trust	279.2	295.9	+2.6	1.50
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES 131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-628 9876 01-280 8540/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	48.8	52.1	..	2.04
Do Accum	52.8	56.4	+0.1	2.04
Commodity	77.4	82.7	+0.6	3.67
Do Accum	129.5	138.5	+1.0	3.67
Do 10% Withdrwl	41.1	43.9	+0.3	3.67
Eastern & Intl	86.4	92.4c	..	1.63
Do 6% Withdrawl	48.6	51.9c	..	1.63
Finance & Property	49.8	53.2a	-0.1	2.13
Foreign Growth Inc	56.5	60.4	+0.1	2.48
Do Accum	57.2	61.1	..	2.48
Gilt & Fixed Income	45.0	47.3●	-0.1	9.23
Do Accum	71.8	75.3●	..	9.23
High Income Income	55.6	59.4●	+0.2	6.75
Do Accum	125.1	134.6●	+0.4	6.75
High Yield Income	59.9	64.0a	+0.1	9.00
Do Accum	147.7	157.9c	+0.2	9.00

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
General Inc	117.5	124.8●	+2.3	3.70
Do Accum	157.1	165.9	+3.1	3.70
Gilt Yield Inc	110.6	114.1c	..	10.23
Do Accum	162.6	167.9a	..	10.23
High Yield Inc	63.6	67.9	..	8.85
Do Accum	121.1	128.9	..	8.85
Japan Income	122.2	129.6	..	0.60
Do Accum	122.7	130.1	..	0.60
N American Inc	200.9	211.1	..	1.42
Do Accum	231.0	242.5	..	1.42
Pacific Income	80.0	84.3	..	0.94
Do Accum	80.7	84.4	..	0.94
Smlr Co's Inc	284.8	303.0	..	2.64
Do Accum	331.9	353.1	..	2.64
BRITANNIA GROUP Salisbury Hse, 31, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 5QL 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9 Viewpoint 01-676 8866				
Growth Gilt	54.2	55.0●	+0.1	0.98
Recovery	79.7	85.0	+0.3	2.33
Smaller Co's	116.5	124.5●	+0.2	1.48
Spec Mkt Sits	72.6	77.4	+0.3	1.82
UK Growth	29.8	31.8	+0.1	3.12
Extra Inc	49.3	52.6●	+0.1	8.16
Gilt	25.9	27.3	..	9.37
Inc & Growth	154.2	164.5	+0.5	5.60
Nat High Inc	148.5	158.4	+0.6	6.00
Pref Shares	17.0	18.1●	..	11.14
Commodity	134.4	143.4	-0.3	3.20
Financial Secs	36.4	38.8	..	2.55
Gold & Gen	18.6	20.1	-0.2	3.55
Int Leisure	13.1	14.0	+0.1	1.07
Prop Shares	41.7	44.5	..	1.82
Univ Energy	49.3	52.8●	+0.5	0.50
World Tech	38.0	40.6●	+0.2	0.92
Amer Growth	82.9	88.4	+0.9	3.59
Amer Income	53.9	57.5	+0.3	6.22
Amer Smaller Co's	22.1	23.6	+0.1	1.83
Amer Special	68.1	72.6	+0.6	3.02
Aust Growth	67.9	72.4	-0.1	1.82
Euro Smaller	9.6	10.5	..	1.50
Far East	35.1	37.4●	-0.5	1.65
Hong Kong Prf	25.0	26.7●	-0.8	3.94
Intl Growth	26.6	28.4	+0.1	2.11
Japan Perf	32.5	34.7	+0.5	..
Japan Smaller	8.1	8.8	+0.1	..
Exempt	60.3	63.1	+0.5	4.19
Exempt Market	61.0	63.9	+0.2	3.67
BROWN SHIPLEY 9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
BS Fund Income	47.0	50.3●	+0.3	4.46
Do Accum	77.6	83.1●	+0.9	..
Financial	98.3	105.6●	+0.6	2.93
Growth Accum	167.0	186.7	+5.3	..
Do Income	102.5	110.3	+0.2	1.76
High Income	49.1	52.5	+0.1	7.20
Income	56.6	61.1	+0.4	6.25
North American	48.0	51.7	-0.6	1.23
Orient	44.0	47.4	-0.6	0.23
Recovery	27.3	29.4	..	3.68
Technology	110.3	118.6	+1.1	0.78
Exempt	161.2	173.4	+1.4	3.30
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
General Inc (4)	166.1	174.8	..	4.20
Do Accum (4)	258.2	271.4	..	4.20
Income Fund (3)	73.6	77.8	+0.9	5.65
Do Accum (3)	123.3	130.1	+1.5	5.65
Intl Inc (2)	97.8	101.8●	..	3.00
Do Accum (2)	127.9	133.4	..	3.00
Smaller Inc (5)	827.9	882.4	..	2.40
Do Accum (5)	868.4	925.7	..	2.40
CS FUND MANAGERS 125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	42.0	44.7	+0.8	0.45
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
High Dist Fund	81.7	87.4	+0.4	6.86
International Fund	142.7	152.8	-0.4	1.47
Resources Fund	22.7	24.2	+0.2	1.86
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	17.8	19.1	-0.1	0.18
Tokyo Fund	84.3	90.1c	+4.2	0.28
(Ex) Amer (2)	115.3	120.1	-0.9	2.50
(Ex) Japan (3)	58.6	60.0	..	0.40
(Ex) Pacific (4)	181.7	187.8a	..	2.15
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	107.1	110.8	..	0.10
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION 35, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	290.1	308.7	+1.3	4.03
High Income Trust	55.6	59.2	+0.2	6.29
Gilt & Fixed Int	48.9	52.1●	..	9.87
Tst Of Inv Trusts	51.4	54.7●	+0.1	2.17
Special Sits Trust	56.5	60.2	+0.2	3.84
Nth Amer Trust	46.1	49.1	+0.1	1.80
Far Eastern Trust	44.2	47.1●	-0.2	0.61
EQUITY & LAW St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1GD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	116.1	123.5	+0.7	3.90
Do Income	103.8	110.4	+0.6	3.92
Higher Inc Accum	173.8	184.6	+0.8	5.87
Do Income	145.8	154.8	+0.7	5.87
Gilts/Fixed Accum	89.5	94.2	..	3.10
Do Income	78.5	82.7	-0.1	3.10
Nth Amer Tst Accum	117.0	124.4	+1.4	0.45
Far East Tst Accum	82.2	87.4	+0.4	1.15
Euro Tst Accum	90.4	96.1	+0.8	1.82
General Trust	181.1	192.6	+1.2	3.22
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT 1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
American Fund	63.0	67.4	+0.2	0.36
Capital Fund	84.2	90.1	+0.4	0.70
Income Fund	60.6	64.9	+0.1	5.11
Far Eastern Fund	47.5	50.9	-0.3	0.75
Overseas Income	54.7	58.5	+0.1	4.81
Fixed Interest	54.9	56.9	..	9.88
Natural Res Fund	46.9	50.2	+0.1	4.34
FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 362222				
American	81.5	87.2	+0.7	1.60
Amer Equity Income	30.0	32.0●	+0.3	6.77
Amer Special Sits	45.7	48.9	+0.1	0.45
South East Asia Tst	26.9	28.8	-0.2	0.81
Japan Special Sits	22.5	24.1	+0.2	..
Japan Trust	68.5	73.4	+0.7	..
Managed Int Tst	86.1	92.1	+0.5	0.80
Max Income Equity	56.9	60.9	+0.1	8.28
Special Sits	104.7	112.0	+0.4	1.26
Gilt Fixed Int	28.5	30.6	..	9.64
Growth & Income	72.7	77.8	+0.2	5.36
Far East Inc	23.5	25.1	+0.4	4.57
Professional Gth	25.4	27.1	+0.1	3.06
FINLAY (JAMES) 10-14, West Nile St, Glasgow 041-204 1321				
JF International (3)	58.9	63.3	-0.2	1.73
Do Accum (3)	75.5	81.1	-0.2	1.73
JF High Income (3)	55.2	59.3	+0.9	7.39
JF World Energy (3)	15.4	16.6	+0.2	2.88
Do Accum (3)	21.3	22.9	+0.3	2.88
JF Inv Trust (3)	83.7	90.0	..	3.22
Do Accum (3)	122.2	131.4	..	3.22
FLEMING (ROBERT) 8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£283.80	290.85	..	1.92
Japan Exempt	£204.16	210.72a	..	1.39
Am Property Tst	$11,422.0		..	7.75
Property Trust	£2,094.0		..	6.20
FRAMLINGTON MANAGEMENT 3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ				

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	58.1	62.1	+0.5	1.55
American Growth	50.5	54.0●	+0.6	0.83
American Inc	57.8	61.8c	+0.4	5.21
European Growth	110.9	118.6	+0.9	0.94
Gold & Minerals	46.3	49.5●	-0.8	1.71
Japan Growth	82.1	87.8●	+1.6	..
Pacific Income	56.9	60.8●	+0.4	4.55

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	148.2	159.4	+0.7	3.67
Do Accum	257.0	274.8	+1.1	3.67
Energy Intl	47.6	50.9●	+0.6	2.76
Do Accum	51.5	55.4●	+0.6	2.76
Extra Income	117.6	125.9	+0.6	6.46
Do Accum	203.7	217.8	+1.0	6.46
Income	206.0	220.3	+1.1	5.28

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
International	163.5	173.9	+2.0	1.65
Do Accum	201.0	213.8	+2.4	1.65
Japan	77.3	82.2	+0.6	0.13
Do Accum	78.7	83.7	+0.6	0.13
Recovery	134.5	143.0	+0.4	5.72
Do Accum	139.2	148.0	+0.5	5.72
Exempt Dist	181.5	187.1●	..	2.85
Exempt Accum	274.8	283.2●	..	2.85
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
SAVE & PROSPER 28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 68-73, Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX (Romford) 0708-66966 Or (Edin) 031-226 7351				
Amer Inc & Growth	60.6	64.8	+0.2	5.05
Capital Units	81.0	86.6	+0.2	2.54
Commodity	51.0	54.2	..	2.84
Energy Inds	48.5	52.6	+0.5	2.76
European Growth	58.8	62.5	+0.4	1.10
Exempt Inc Bnd	58.5	61.9●	..	6.53

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Commodity	88.0	94.6	+0.6	1.98
Energy	39.5	42.4●	+0.5	0.32
Equity	99.6	106.5	+0.6	3.93
European Spec Sits	53.6	57.3	+0.3	0.64
Extra Income	88.7	94.9●	+0.4	8.57
Financial	208.5	222.4	..	2.58
Gilt Income	100.4	105.1●	+0.8	8.62
Do Capital	232.1	252.8●	-0.2	3.25
Gold Income	80.0	84.2	-0.9	1.81
Do Accum	108.5	116.0	-1.4	1.81

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CRICKET: NATWEST SEMI-FINALS GO INTO SECOND DAY

Stoppage for bad light pleases Essex more than Hampshire

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

SOUTHAMPTON: Essex, with six wickets in hand, need 94 runs to beat Hampshire.

Bad light towards the end of what had been a beautiful day brought frustration at Southampton yesterday in this NatWest semi-final between Hampshire and Essex. Essex, needing 225 to win, were 131 for four at the time, with the result looking increasingly likely to depend upon Gooch. He is 57 not out and Essex have 23.2 overs left.

The decision to suspend play was not popular. Every seat was taken and the supporters on both sides were beginning to sit on the edge of them. But it had quite suddenly got very dark and Marshall, the world's fastest bowler, was letting rip. Hampshire, too, had had the benefit of bright sunshine for their innings, though to some extent that was offset by being obliged to bat first. Fletcher put them in on a damp pitch.

HAMPSHIRE

C G Greenidge c Pringle b Foster	15
V P Terry l-b-w b Turner	7
C L Smith run out	26
*M C J Nicholas l-b-w b Turner	39
R A Smith b Turner	24
D R Turner c McEwan b Foster	35
M D Marshall b Lever	29
N G Cowley c East b Foster	20
T M Tremlett not out	8
†R J Parks not out	6
Extras (l-b 10, w 6, n-b 3)	19
Total (8 wkts, 60 overs)	224

C A Connor did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-38, 3-54, 4-112, 5-117, 6-169, 7-208, 8-208

BOWLING: Lever 12-4-36-1; Foster 12-2-58-3, Pringle 12-2-58-0, Turner 12-2-38-3; Gooch 12-1-25-0

ESSEX

G A Gooch not out	57
B R Hardie lbw b Nicholas	5
P J Prichard c Turner b Nicholas	14
K S McEwan c Parks b Connor	38
D R Pringle run out	8
*K W R Fletcher not out	0
Extras (b 0, l-b 3, w 5, n-b 4)	12
Total (4 wkts, 36.4 overs)	131

A W Lilley, †D E East, S Turner, N A Foster, J K Lever did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-32, 2-48, 3-111.

Umpires: D J Mayer and N T Plews

As they almost always do in these one-day games, Essex bowled well, no one better than Stuart Turner. Straight down from Edgbaston was Alec Bedser, who had come to watch an assortment of players, though not, I imagine, Turner. He might have taken more than a passing interest in the two Smiths, Terry, Nicholas, Parks and Tremlett of the Hampshire side, and Gooch, Pringle, Richard Foster, East and Lever of Essex. No one travels farther than Bedser on his selectorial rounds or would have been better qualified to put Ellison on the right lines.

It was getting on for lunchtime before the pitch started to dry out and Hampshire to play with any freedom. By then, Greenidge had been caught at first slip in the eighth over, Terry leg-before in the 21st (he seemed to play as much with his front pad as his bat yesterday), and Christopher Smith run out going for a second to Foster at deep square leg. Smith, back after injury, was batting well but it was his brother, Robin, and Nicholas who first got Hampshire on the move, scoring 32 in no time before lunch, taken at 92 for three after 39 overs.

To have made more than the 132 they managed in their remaining 21 overs, Hampshire would have needed a longer innings from Robin Smith or Nicholas. In the event, Smith was bowled off his pads and Nicholas leg-before, when they both looked in form. With these two and Terry as his victims, Turner, now 42, was very effective, just as Gooch was very economical.

Hampshire's Turner was also excellent, but with the bat. At 36, and quite grey, he, too, keeps his game going well. He and Marshall added 52 in eight overs for the sixth wicket and Marshall and Cowley another 39 in six overs for the seventh.

Dropped: Lilley misses Nicholas (Photograph: Chris Cole)

Hampshire's innings was over just before 3 o'clock. At 12 o'clock, they would gladly have settled I am sure, for as many as they made.

What made the end more galling for Hampshire was that they had just taken a wicket and could they have got another straight away it would have given them the edge. Not long before, at 110 for two, Essex had appeared to be well on the way to winning. They had lost Hardie and Prichard to Nicholas, but McEwan was going well, Gooch was jogging along and there was no need to hurry.

Then McEwan, driving at Connor, was caught at the wicket, and Essex started to get into a state between wickets. In the over before tea, the umpire Barrie Meyer would have had to give Gooch, then 53, run-out by a direct throw from Nicholas, had he had the benefit of the television replay. Nicholas expressed his disappointment, while saying with a good grace that it had not been an easy decision to give.

Tea having been taken, Pringle and Gooch then found themselves together at the bowler's end as the ball pinged around the field as if on a bagatelle board. Eventually it found its way back to the wicketkeeper's end, just ahead of Pringle.

So in came Fletcher to face Marshall with Hampshire right back in the game. Marshall's second ball, of lighting speed, very nearly bowled him. Whereupon the umpires offered the batsmen the chance to come off. Without hesitation, and perfectly sensibly, they took it. Half an hour later, it was raining. Should no further play be possible, today or tomorrow, Hampshire would win on a higher scoring rate. Otherwise Essex should still do so.

Survival is inscribed on Robinson's bat

By Richard Streeton

WORCESTER: Nottinghamshire, with six wickets in hand, need 96 runs to beat Worcestershire.

Tim Robinson, with one of those utterly dependable innings which have become his trade mark, was keeping Nottinghamshire's hopes alive yesterday when bad light ended play in this NatWest Trophy semi-final match. Nottinghamshire, who were set 233 to win, have 14 overs left to make the runs they require. Worcestershire, who have a fractionally faster scoring rate, would reach the final if the weather allowed no further play today or tomorrow.

Robinson stood firm as Nottinghamshire reached 114 for four and he was then joined by Richard Hadlee, the New Zealand Test player. After a day of sunshine the light gradually worsened but at first the two batsmen declined an offer at 6.15 from the umpires to go off. Twenty minutes later the conditions had deteriorated markedly and the players left the field.

For much of the day the cricket lacked the frenzied mood expected from the competition at this stage. Scoring runs was always hard work on a pitch which yielded little bounce and a damp outfield also restricted the batsmen's output. Worcestershire chose to bat and initially they also had to contend with movement off the seam. D'Oliveira's dismissal in Hadlee's opening over hardly helped Worcestershire's confidence either.

Curtis, whose 92 was his best one-day score, and Smith put on 112 for the second wicket in 38 overs and thus proved to be the backbone to Worcestershire's effort. Curtis and Collis King raised the scoring rate by adding 52 in 10 overs.

Smith, trying to drive, finally played on to Rice immediately after lunch.

This brought in King, the West Indian all-rounder, whose possible inclusion had been kept quiet by Worcestershire. He has not appeared for the county for 15 months but his registration had been retained. With Kapil Dev unavailable for the rest of this season, King is not the worst stand-in for him.

Curtis and King were never able to score as quickly as they wanted and were eventually out in successive overs.

After this Worcestershire lost four more wickets as the last six overs brought 47 runs.

Nottinghamshire, too, had trouble timing the ball. Broad seldom looked confident and was leg-before in Radford's fifth over as he tried to turn a ball to the on side. Radford, who was given his county cap before the start, and Inchmore bowled with good direction but it was King who made the next breakthrough. Randall, playing across the line, was leg-before to a ball of full length.

Robinson edged one boundary but otherwise looked completely safe. Rice found his touch slowly and at tea Nottinghamshire were 105 for two. In the first over afterwards Rice was caught behind off Inchmore. Johnson was beaten through the air by Patel in the 38th over and the balance had swung towards Worcestershire.

WORCESTERSHIRE

T S Curtis c and b Pick	92
D B D'Oliveira l-b-w b Hadlee	0
D M Smith b Rice	57
C L King run out	11
D N Patel b Hadlee	20
*P A Neale c Johnson b Pick	9
M J Weston run out	7
†S J Rhodes not out	9
N V Radford run out	16
J D Inchmore not out	0
Extras (l-b 4, w 5, n-b 2)	11
Total (8 wkts, 60 overs)	232

P J Newport did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-116, 3-168, 4-170, 5-185, 6-205, 7-207, 8-227

BOWLING: Hadlee 12-2-35-2; Rice 11-0-61-1; Cooper 12-2-43-0; Hemmings 12-2-37-0; Pick 12-2-46-2; Evans 1-0-6-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

B C Broad lbw b Radford	4
R T Robinson not out	75
D W Randall lbw b King	9
*C E B Rice c Rhodes b Inchmore	25
P Johnson b Patel	1
R J Hadlee not out	9
Extras (b 0, l-b 9, w 1, n-b 4)	14
Total (4 wkts, 46 overs)	137

†B N French, E E Hemmings, R A Pick, K P Evans, K E Cooper did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-47, 3-106, 4-114.

Umpires: D O Oslear and J Birkenshaw

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BOWLS

Duo on song as they orchestrate victory

By Gordon Allan

Frank Maxwell, aged 48, and Peter Richardson, aged 34, of the Haxby Road Club, York, won the Gateway English national pairs championship at Worthing yesterday. In a sportingly contested final lasting over four hours, they beat Keith Renwick, aged 25, and Ken Briscoe, aged 35, of Hylton Colliery, Durham, 16-15.

It is the third time since 1912 that a Yorkshire club have won this title. Saltburn won it in 1935, and Bootham in 1953.

The painfully close score says a great deal about the sort of match it was. "We'll get them in singles", seemed to be the idea – a good Yorkshire idea at that – and given the fact that a national championship was at stake, you could hardly blame the players. There were three no-ends to stretch the tension, and mid-rink conferences were frequent.

Going into the last end, Renwick and Briscoe were 14-13 in front. Briscoe, at lead, had one of his looser ends and Richardson, his opposite number, bowled four good woods. Yorkshire eventually held the two shots they craved to win the game, and Renwick was slightly but decisively overweight in his attempts to save.

When it was all over, Maxwell broke into song – "I do it my way".

In the semi-finals, two counts of four at the 13th and 14th ends brought Neville Wheeldon and Bill Burrows (Winget, Gloucester) up to 15-15 against Renwick and Briscoe, which made for a tighter finish than seemed probable. Renwick and Briscoe won 22-19. Mike London and Tom Brown (North Shields, West End) were always trailing in their match against Maxwell and Richardson, who won 19-13.

PAIRS: Semi-finals: K Renwick and K Briscoe (Hylton Colliery, Durham), 22; W Burrows and N Wheeldon (Winget, Gloucester), 19; F Maxwell and P Richardson (Haxby Road, York) 19; M London and T Brown (North Shields, West End), 13. Final: Maxwell and Richardson 16, Renwick and Briscoe, 15

YACHTING

Gunstone is top of the class

By a Correspondent

After wild weather and resultant postponement on Tuesday, sunshine and pleasant winds greeted the fleet for the thir and fourth races of the Lombard British Optimists open and national championship on Southampton Water yesterday.

The third race began unauspiciously with a general recall but, second time of asking, the race officer got the 94 young competitors away to an impressive starboard start. At the windward mark the pattern was established with Tony Gunstone of Bewl Valley SC in a commanding lead, followed by his club colleague, Andrew Ramus, and Richard Pye, of Draycott Water SC, and the order was maintained to the finish, despite great efforts by Ramus to catch Gunstone off the wind.

The water was choppier for the fourth race and the wind banked south-west. This time it looked as if the Irish were going to win with Paul Flynn leading on the water but he was disqualified for being over the line at the start. So Jeremy Davy (Weston SC), and Douglas Baker (Frampton SC), had the race to themselves and stayed ahead of Martin Dinham (Restronguet SC).

RESULTS: Third race: 1, T Gunstone; 2, A Ramus; 3, R Pye; 4, J Wilkins (Draycott Water SC), 5, T Wilkes (Ire); 6, N Quintrell (Helford River SC). Fourth race: 1, J Davy; 2, D Baker; 3, M Dinham, 4, G Kibble (Wet Wood SC), 5, A Ramus

Stars hit by a windy start

Variable winds produced inconsistent sailing conditions for the 92 Star keelboats from 17 countries yesterday at the Hellerup Yacht Club, Copenhagen, in the largest-ever European championship.

The British contingent consists of three boats: Alistair McMichael, Alf Reynolds, and Michael Hicks. They are competing against Olympic squads from Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Sweden, who have full on-the-water support teams. Two races were sailed yesterday as poor weather conditions cancelled Tuesday's sailing.

RESULTS: First race: 1, Biganiskvili (USSR). First British boat: 13, Hicks. Second race: 1, Gorla (It). First British boat: 38, Hicks. Overall: 1, Griese (WG). Best British position: Hicks, 18th.

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GOLF

McEvoy and Baker brilliant as GB and Ireland lead US

From Mitchell Platts,

Clementon, New Jersey

Whatever the outcome of the Walker Cup match, which began in abominable weather on the Pine Valley course here yesterday, there can be no doubt that Peter McEvoy and Peter Baker will forever remember their own contribution as Great Britain and Ireland made their finest start on American soil since 1965.

McEvoy, aged 32, has contested more than 40 foursomes matches during his illustrious international career. But never has the golf attained such an outstanding level as that which propelled him with the 17-year-old Baker to an emphatic 6 and 5 victory over Randy Sonnier and Jerry Haas. They had six birdies and they were five under par when the match ended on the 13th green.

Moreover, as the players returned to the sanctuary of the club house, after a first morning when incessant rain taxed the energy of the green staff, Great Britain and Ireland were 2½-1½ in front of the United States at the end of the opening foursomes.

Great Britain and Ireland have not been ahead at any stage during a match since 1971, when they went on to win at St Andrew's and the United States have only once – at Baltimore in 1965 – trailed on their own soil following the opening of the foursome's series.

John Hawksworth and Garth McGimpsey, the amateur champion, played a significant role in overcoming Duggy Waldorf and Sam Randolph four and three. Cecil Bloice and Sandy Stephen recovered from two down with three to play to halve with Mike Podolak and Davis Love. The determination within the team was further highlighted by the achievement of Colin Montgomerie and George MacGregor, four down after nine holes, of taking Jay Sigel and Scott Verplank to the last green before losing by one hole.

This, then, was a morning when Great Britain and Ireland excelled themselves, increasing their confidence for the singles in the afternoon, and, more importantly, edged towards the prospect of winning the match for only a third time since it began in 1922.

McEvoy and Baker, indisputedly, produced the finest golf. McEvoy, succinctly, said: "We were brilliant!" For McEvoy, surprisingly, it was only a second victory in his 11th game in Walker Cup matches, and for Baker it was a truly remarkable baptism.

McEvoy's five-iron at the short third to 10 feet, from where Baker confidently holed for a two, was the first sign that the partnership, which won two out of three matches in the recent European team championships, were in an invincible mood. Baker won the sixth with a 15-foot putt. McEvoy pitched to four feet for a winning four at the long seventh: and then holed from 25 feet for another winning birdie at the ninth.

McEvoy: hitting a peak of form.

Sonnier and Haas, now four down, contributed to their own downfall by taking four at the short 10th. Then McEvoy, from behind a tree, made a miraculous recovery to 15 feet at the 12th from where Baker joyously holed for a birdie. The crestfallen Americans were beaten on the next green, without even the consulation of having won a single hole, when McEvoy coaxed home a putt of eight feet.

Hawksworth and McGimpsey, after losing the first hole, quickly took command. They were one-up after three, two up at the turn, then stretched their advantage when Hawksworth holed from 20 feet for a two at the 14th. Hawksworth, who has a lovely touch on and around the greens, chipped in from 20 yards to win the match at the 15th where Randolph and Waldorf lost the chance of escaping when they took three putts.

Bloice and Stephen, along with the Americans Love and Podolak, were warned on the 12th green that they would be timed for slow play. In fairness, they had been compelled to wait on three occasions for flooded greens to be squeegeed clear of water. The Americans lost their grip at the 16th and 17th, where Love found trouble on both occasions, and Stephen almost snatched an unlikely win when his 18ft putt for a birdie at the 18th remained on the lip.

Sigel and Verplank were considered the American "bankers", and, as they moved four-up after seven holes, they seemed on the way to settling their particular issue in good time. Montgomerie and MacGregor, however, kept a match of rather scrappy golf alive by winning the 10th, 15th and 17th.

Foursome matches: GB and Ireland 2½, USA 1½ (GB and Ireland names first): C Montgomerie and G MacGregor lost to S Verplank and J Sigel one hole; J Hawksworth and G McGimpsey bt D Waldorf and S Randolph 4 and 3; P Baker and P McEvoy bt R Sonnier and J Haas 6 and 5; C Bloice and S Stephen halved with M Podolak and D Love

Legal ladies and two others share lead

By John Hennessy

Four players with widely varying credentials shared the lead on the first day of the British womens' stroke-play championship at Formby, yesterday. They were Maureen Garner, the Irish winner of this title in 1980, Patricia Johnson, English champion at both match-play and stroke-play, Caroline Pierce, an English product of American university golf, and Elaine Farquharson, the Scottish junior champion.

On an unexpectedly fine day the demanding par of 75 for the 6,320 yard course came into genuine consideration and the leaders went round in 73. Belle Robertson, another former winner, promised to join them at two under par, but a six at the last relegated her to joint fourth place on 75 with Claire Hourihane, the Irish champion.

The leaders achieved their ends in the myriad contrasting ways that the game offers and perhaps the most impressive golf came from the least experienced. Miss Farquaharson, 17 year-old runner-up to Susan Shapcott in the British girls' championship last week, was the only player among the 102 in the field who covered 18 holes without dropping a shot. On a course like Formby, yielding few concessions to women golfers, this was a laudable achievement.

A fluffed pitch at the long 15th threatened her determination "to keep a bogie off my card", but she recovered well enough to hole from off the green for a birdie. She hooked into the rough at the 18th, too, but found a generous lie and a six-iron comfortably set up her four. Flourishing six higher grades certificates (five As and a B) she goes to Edinburgh University in October to master law.

Miss Pierce is in the same line of study, at Houston Baptist College. But her round followed anything but the same lines as Miss Farquharson's, with an eagle two among her many adventures. She holed a five wood shot from 170 yards out at the 13th (380 yards).

Leading scores: 73: M Garner, P Johnson, C Pierce, E Farquharson. 75: C. Hourihane, B. Robertson. 76: K. Davies, L. Behan, M. Scollen. 77: C Keggi (US), P Barry. 78: D. Christison, E . Orley (Switz), C. Scholefield (US), S. Lawson, J. Thornhill. 79: P Wrightson, S Moorcroft, D Martin, Y McQuillan.

VOLLEYBALL: The world champion Chinese women's team will play the world all-star team in China in December. The World Challenge match for the Hitachi Cup will begin with a game at Peking on December 28. The final game will be at the Shanghai indoor stadium on December 31.

Winchester outgunned by Olazabal

Roger Winchester, the English amateur champion, suffered successive defeats by Jose-Maria Olazabal, of Spain, in the youths international at Ganton yesterday.

Britain and Ireland scored their first victory over Europe for three years, winning 8-4, but not before Olazabal, aged 19, had underlined his promise.

He finished 25th in last month's Open championship – 14 places ahead of fellow Spaniard Seve Ballesteros. Yesterday he partnered compatriot Ignacio Gervas to a 6 and 5 foursomes win over Winchester and Kenny Walker before beating Winchester 3 and 1 in the singles.

Olazabal will turn professional in November.

FOURSOMES: R Winchester (Sidmouth) and K Walker (Royal Burgess) lost to J M Olazabal and I Gervas (Sp) 6 and 5; C Brooks (Glencorse) and S Easingwood (Dunbar) bt E Schleffer (WG) and A Mednick (Swe) 4 and 3; E Jones (Bull Bay) and E O'Connell (Killarney) bt A Binaghi (It) and J van de Velde (Fr) one hole; F George (Beaconsfield) and S Bottomley (Shipley) halved with H Erickson and D Nordberg (Swe). Foursomes result: Britain and Ireland 2½, Continent of Europe 1½.

SINGLES: Winchester lost to Olazabal 3 and 1; George bt Schleffer 4 and 3; Walker halved with Gervas; Brooks lost to Mednick one hole; Jones bt Van de Velde 3 and 2; O'Connell bt Nordberg 3 and 2; Easingwood bt Erickson 4 and 3; Bottomley bt Binaghi 4 and 2. Singles result: Britain and Ireland 5½, Continent of Europe 2½. Match result: Britain and Ireland 8, Continent of Europe 4

CYCLING

Nakano geared up for 21st century

Bassano del Grappa, Italy, (Reuter) – Koichi Nakano goes into the world championships beginning today intent on setting a record that will survive until the 21st century. The 29-year-old Japanese, whose explosive finishing burst has swept him to a record eight professional sprint titles, is intent on claiming more to set a record total capable of surviving well past the year 2,000.

The manner of his triumph in Barcelona last year suggested Nakano is easily good enough to take his tally into double figures – yet so much success has not deadened his appetite for racing.

Nakano turned professional after winning the sprint bronze at the 1976 Montreal Olympics. He failed to win a medal at his first world championships a few months later but was not to be denied success for long.

In 1977 he crushed his compatriot Sugato Yoshikazo in the final to gain his first title and has won in every year since to become a millionaire and stand alone as cycling's greatest ever sprinter.

The decision of the Frenchman Yave Cahard – third, second and third again in the sprint since 1982 – to concentrate on the Keirin title has left Octavio Dazzan, of Italy, as Nakano's most serious threat. Dazzan, third in Zurich two years ago and second last year, has steadily improved and could benefit most from the fast, cement circuit coupled with the backing of his own supporters.

Hans Henrik Oersted, the defending 5,000 metres pursuit champion, is another expected to climb to the top of the medal rostrum before the six-day track competition ends on Tuesday. The Dane has never finished outside the top three since his first professional appearance at the 1980 world championship. However, the individual pursuit bronze medal winner from the 1980 Olympics had to wait until last year before collecting his first title after two second and two third placings.

Oersted staked an impressive claim for the gold in tomorrow's final when he broke the 5,000 metres world record on the Bassano track last month.

FOR THE RECORD

TENNIS

MONTICELLO, New York: Monticello championship, first round: H Zukova (Cz) bt A Minter (Aus) 7-5, 6-2; B Potter (US) bt J Russell (US) 6-4, 6-3, S Hanika (WG) bt M Werdel (US) 6-2, 7-5, K Maleeva (Bul) bt A Hobbs (GB) 6-4, 6-2; D Spence (US) bt A Ivan (US) 6-4, 6-2; H Kelesi (Can) bt S Gomer (GB) 7-6 (7-5), 5-7, 6-4; R Uys (SA) bt M Gurney (US) 7-6 (7-4), 7-5; V Ruzici (Rom) bt A Henricksson (US) 6-4, 6-2; L Drescher (Switz) bt C Tanvier (Fr) 6-4, 7-6; S Cecchini (It) bt M Schropp (WG) 6-4, 6-1; T Scheuer-Larsen (Den) bt B Jordan (US) 6-2, 6-3; A Croft (GB) bt A Kanellopolou (Greece) 3-6, 7-5, 6-2; J Dune (GB) bt M Jausovec (Yug) 5-2, 6-3; R Marsikova (Cz) bt C Jolissaint (Switz) 7-6 (7-5), 5-7, 6-4; K Shaeler (US) bt C Karlsson (Swe) 2-6, 6-2, 6-4; L Antonoplis (US) bt P Huber (Austria) 6-4, 6-1

EASTBOURNE: Prudential Grass Court Junior Championships: Boys' singles: Third round: C Peet (Lancs) bt I Mackinlay (E of Scot) 6-3, 6-0; D Ison (Leics) bt D Kirk (Lincs) 6-3, 6-4; S Booth (Warwicks) bt S Heron (Yorks) 3-6, 7-5, 6-2; L Matthews (Hants) bt H Pringle (Essex) 7-5, 5-7, 6-0; N Jones (N Wales) bt M Nuttall (Suffolk) 6-2, 6-2; N Pashley (Surrey) bt D Sapsford (Surrey) 6-3, 6-3; M Petchey (Essex) bt C Brown (Cambs) 6-0, 6-3; A Brice (Cheshire) bt U Nganga (Norfolk) 6-1, 6-0. Girls' singles: Third round: S McCarthy (Avon) bt J Philips (Notts) 6-2, 6-1; A Grant (Lincs) bt A Gregory (Notts) 5-7, 6-2, 6-2; T Catlin (Cambs) bt A Nall (Oxon) 6-4, 6-2, A Hill (Devon) bt K Patel (Hants) 6-0, 7-5; J Reeves (Kent) bt D Schauerman (Middx) 6-4, 6-1; V Lake (Devon) bt A Fleming (Leics) 7-6, 6-1, A Simpkin (Leics) bt K Rickett (Warwicks) 6-1, 5-7, 6-3; C Bateman (Essex) bt C Bharguandas (Middx) 4-6, 6-3, 6-3

KINGS ISLAND, Ohio: Men's grand prix tournament: V Amritraj (India) bt H Leconte (Fr) 7-6, 6-4, S Edberg (Swe) bt J Fitzgerald (Aus) 6-4, 6-3, J Nystrom (Swe) bt M Purcell (US) 2-6, 6-3, 7-6, J Brown (US) bt J Kriek (US) 7-5, 6-4, M Wilander (Swe) bt V Van Patten (US) 6-0, 6-1, K Flach (US) bt G Forget (Fr) 6-4, 6-4; B Schultz (US) bt R Krishnan (India) 6-3, 6-1, J Sadri (US) bt L Pimek (Cz) 7-6, 2-6, 6-1; B Scanlon (US) bt H De Wet (SA) 7-5, 6-2; T Cain (US) bt B Testerman (US) 6-2, 6-4; B Drewett (Aus) bt M Jaite (Arg) 2-6, 6-2, 6-1; P Slozil (Cz) bt M Robertson (SA) 6-4, 6-4; T Moor (US) bt A Mansdorf (Is) 1-6, 7-6, 6-2; D Pate (US) bt E Iskersky (US) 6-4, 5-7, 6-3; R Acuna (Chile) bt R Saguso (US) 2-6, 6-4, 7-6; T Wilkison (US) bt M Anger (US) 6-3, 6-3; D Visser (SA) bt M Davis (US) 7-6, 6-3, H Pfister (US) bt S DeVries (US) 6-4, 6-3; T Benhabiles (Fr) bt J Lloyd (GB) 6-3, 6-1, R Green (US) bt M Leach (US) 3-6, 6-4, 6-1, A Jarryd (Swe) bt M DePalmer (US) 7-6, 6-4; Y Noah (Fr) bt M Bauer (US) 6-3, 6-3.

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JERICHO, New York: Men's tournament: First round: S Davis (US) bt J Arias (US), 7-5, 6-1; M Mecir (Cz), bt B Gilbert (US), 6-4, 6-1; B Taroczy (Hun), bt T Smid (Cz), 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.

PALM BEACH, Florida: Women's rankings: 1, C Lloyd (US); 2, M Navratilova (US); 3, H Mandlikova (Cz); 4, P Shriver (US); 5, C Kohde-Kilsch (WG); 6, Z Garrison (US); 7, H Sukova (Cz), 8, M Maleeva (Bul), 9, K Rinaldi (US); 10, G Sabatini (Arg); 11, S Graf (WG), 12, W Turnbull (Aus); 13, C Lindquist (Sw), 14, B Gadusek (US); 15, C Bassett (Can); 16, A Temesvari (Hun); 17, B Potter (US); 18, K Jordan (US); 19, D Hanika (WG); 20, B Bunge (WG).

FOOTBALL

SWISS LEAGUE: Aarau 4, Baden 0; La Chaux-de-Fonds 1, Young Boys Berne 1, Grasshoppers 0, Servette 1, Grenchen 1, Xamax Neuchatel 3; Lausanne 2, Basle 2; St Gallen 2, Vevey 0; Sion 1, Zurich 1, Wettingen 1, Lucerne 1

AUSTRIAN LEAGUE: Admira Wacker 2, DSV Alpine 2; Voe Est-Linz 2, SC Eisenstadt 1; SSW Innsbruck 3, Austria Klagenfurt 2, SAK 0 Austria Vienna 2; GAK 0 Sturm Graz 0

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Millwall 0, West Ham 4; Queen's Park R 1, Oxford 1

SOVIET LEAGUE: Dynamo 1, Kairat Alma Ata 0

CYCLING

NIJMEGEN: Tour of The Netherlands: First stage: 1, E Vanderaerden (Bel) 6:09.43; 2, W de Vos (Bel); 3, J Bogaert (Bel); 4, E Planckaert (Bel); 5, L Van Vliet (Neth); 6, J Muller (Switz). Other placing: 10, S Kelly (Ire) all in same time as Vanderaerden. Overall standings: 1, Vanderaerden 6:18.04; 2, B Oosterbosch (Neth) at 4secs; 3, N Verhoeven (Neth), at 19; 4 S Rooks (Neth), at 19; 5, G Solleveld (Neth), at 19; 6, A Van Houwelingen (Neth) at 21. Other placing: 28, Kelly, at 58

LEGNANO, Italy: Bernocchi Cup (235km): 1, J Van Der Velde (Neth), 5.25.35; 2, M Argentin (It), at 38sec; 3, G Mantovani (It), same time; 4, J Bruggman (Switz), at 40, 5, C Corti (It), at 42; 6, S Colage (It), same time.

BOURGES, France: Paris to Bourges two-day race: (France unless stated): MEN, second stage: 1, B Conrillet, 5:59:01; 2, Duclos-Lassalle, 3, J-F Bernard; 4, Rene Bittinger; Final Overall: 1, N Ruttiman (Switz), 12:06:46; 2, C Mottet, same time; 3, G Duclos-Lassalle, 12:06:54; 4, E Critoux 12. 06:57. WOMEN: 1, C Broca, 4:56:25, 2, K Way (Can) 4:56:40; 3, C Odin 4 56.47; 4, B Lang (Can) 4.59:45.

CRICKET

UFI MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Dean Park: Cornwall 130 (A R Wingfield-Digby 5 for 54, D Shantry 4 for 37) and 64 for 2. Dorset 139 for 6 dec (A Kinney 67). Drawn. Bowdon: Cheshire 105 for 8 dec (D I Yeadsley 6 for 38) and 205 for 5 dec (I Tansley 50). Devon 90 (J A Sutton 7 for 47) and 82 for 4. Drawn. Bristol: Somerset II 3 for no wkt dec and 152 for 7 dec. Oxfordshire 3 for no wkt dec and 78 for 4. Drawn. Cambridge: Durham 192 for 7 dec and 181 for 5 dec (Atkinson 91, Parry 4 for 56); Cambridgeshire 135 and 225 for 9 (Parry 108). Drawn.

SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Portsmouth: Hampshire 232 (K D James 88); Middlesex 4 for no wkt. Sittingbourne: Kent 400 for 9 dec (G R Cowdrey 255); Glamorgan 38 for no wkt. Shireoaks: Nottinghamshire 223 (M Newell 60, R Evans 58; W Morton 5 for 68); Warwickshire 37 for 1. Bradford: Derbyshire 314 for 4 (A M Brown 56, W P Fowler 108 n.o.)

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: American League: Toronto Blue Jays 3, Cleveland Indians 2; New York Yankees 8, California Angels 5; Chicago White Sox 2, Kansas City Royals 1, Milwaukee Brewers 3, Minnesota Twins 2; Texas Rangers 3, Boston Red Sox 1; Detroit Tigers 4, Oakland A's 1; Seattle Mariners 4, Baltimore Orioles 3. National League: New York Mets 3, San Francisco Giants 0. Houston Astros 17, St Louis Cardinals 2; San Diego Padres 1, Montreal Expos 0. Los Angeles Dodgers 5, Philadelphia Phillies 4; Pittsburgh Pirates 3, Cincinnati Reds 2. Chicago Cubs 5, Atlanta Braves 2.

TABLE TENNIS

PARIS, European rankings: Men: 1, A Grubba (Pol); 2, J-O Waldner (Swe); 3, M Appelgren (Swe); 4, L Kucharski (Pol); 5, D Douglas (GB); 6, E Lindh (Swe); 7, J Secretin (Fr); 8, M Orlowski (Cz); 9, D Surbek (Yug); 10, J Pansky (Cz). Women: 1, B Vriesekoop (Neth); 2, M Hrachova (Cz); 3, U Popova (USSR); 4, O Nemes (WG); 5, Z Olah (Hun); 6, F Bulatova (USSR); 7, B Batinic (Yug); 8, M Lindblad (Swe); 9, C Batorfi (Hun); 10, N Antonian (USSR).

GOLF

HOUSTON: Leading moneywinners on United States LPGA Tour (all US): 1, N Lopez, $344,722; 2, A Miller, $327,804; 3, P Bradley, $292,653; 4, A Alcott, $248,750; 5, P Sheehan, $217,631; 6, B King, $160,273

ST ANDREW'S, old course: British Universities v American Universities Select: Singles (first series, British first): J Huggan (Stirling) bt D Hopson (Georgia Tech) one hole; D Low (Dundee) bt T E Harper (USC) 6 and 5; A Roberts (Hull) lost to L Nash (Georgia Tech) 4 and 3, M Campbell (Heriot Watt) bt W Bentley (USC) 5 and 4; P Williams (Liverpool) halved with J Nichols (Georgia Tech); P Smith (Lancaster) lost to B Henninger (USC) 5 and 4; S Davidson (Aberdeen) lost to W McDonald (Georgia Tech) 4 and 2; D Kirkham (Liverpool) lost to R McDonnell (Georgia Tech) one hole. Singles result: Br Univs 3½, American Univs 4½.

WHITCHURCH, Cardiff: Senator Windows Welsh Professional Championship: Leading final placings: 132: D Llewellyn (Thirsk and North Allerton) 64, 68; 136: C Defoy (Coombe Hill) 67, 69; 137: I Woosnam (Oswestry) 68, 69.

SWIMMING

PESARO, Italian championships: 100m breaststroke: G Minervini, 1min 02.61sec (European record).

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Poole 56, Long Eaton 22.

IN BRIEF

Absorbing start to Indian tour

Colombo (Reuter) – A dogged unbeaten 77 by opener Sumithra Warnakulasuriya was the highlight of the Sri Lanka Colts XI's innings on the first day of the opening match of the Indians tour of Sri Lanka yesterday. The Colts XI scored a creditable 195 for three off 87 overs before bad light ended play 25 minutes early.

The Sri Lanka Test opener, Amal Silva, with 46 and Warnakulasuriya gave the Colts a solid start with a 77-run opening stand in 99 minutes. After the fall of the second wicket, the Colts skipper, Arjuna Ranatunga, scored a breezy half-century. Chetan Sharma, the pace bowler, and the two spinners, Shastri and Gopal Sharma shared the three wickets which fell.

SCORES: Sri Lanka Colts XI: First innings 195 for 3 (S Warnakulasuriya 77 not out, A Ranatunga 51).

RUGBY LEAGUE: John Kerr, the Warrington stand-off half transfer-listed at £5,000, has joined Leigh.

SURFING: Three of Britain's title hopes were knocked out of the Fosters Surf Masters at Newquay, yesterday leaving the defending champion, Martin Potter, the Welshman Carwyn Williams, and Paul Russell, from Leicester, as the only home competitors in the £20,000 event.

TENNIS: *Britain's annual challenge* against the United States in the Under-22 teams international for the Maureen Connolly Trophy, will be played on the new indoor courts at Queen's Club, London, from December 12-14, and will be sponsored by MEPC, a private property investment company.

MOTOR CYCLING: Ron Haslam, Britain's top grand prix rider, races at Thruxton for the first time on Sunday, September 22. Haslam, currently fourth in the World 500cc Championship, will ride his Rothman's Grand Prix Honda in the 15-lap 'King of Thruxton' transnational final.

BADMINTON: England have four 'top ten' players, according to the latest Pro-Kennex Grand Prix points listing for 1985. Steve Baddeley, the Enfield based left-hander has moved to third in the men's list, with Kent's Nick Yates in sixth place. Helen Troke, of Southampton, is third in the women's list, while Gillian Gowers of Sussex, is eighth.

Gooch joins up

Graham Gooch is the latest addition to the line-up for the 1985 Silk Cut all-roundes' challenge at Arundel on September 20 and 21. The 32-year-old England and Essex opener replaces the Indian captain Kapil Dev, who has been forced to withdraw because of his country's forthcoming tour of Sri Lanka. Six other world-class cricketers, including Ian Botham, will join Gooch in the chase for the £7,000 first prize.

Majority verdict

Sydney (Reuter) – A clear majority of Australians approve of the so-called rebel cricket tour of South Africa later this year, according to a nationwide opinion poll published yesterday. Support for the 16-man team, to be led by former Australian captain Kim Hughes, was strongest among the young and lowest among those aged 50 or more, the Morgan Gallup poll said.

Pacemen sign up

Northamptonshire have given contracts for next season to two young quick bowlers, Gareth Smith, aged 19 from Durham, and Mark Baker, 16, from Lincolnshire.

Edgbaston final

The final of the under-25 county cricket championship between Kent and Warwickshire will be staged at Edgbaston on Sunday.

BOXING

Triple title bout for November

The promoters Greg Steene and Harry Holland have won the bidding to hold the European welterweight title bout between the champion, Lloyd Honeyghan, of Bermondsey, and the winner of the Kostas Petrou and Sylvester Mittee British and Commonwealth title contest, which takes place on September 18.

The bout between Honeyghan and the winner will have three titles at stake. The date and venue will be announced after the British contest but it is expected to take place in November.

EVENING RACING

Lingfield Park

5.40 (6f) 1, Cyrano De Bergerac (R Lines, 8-11 fav); 2, Mianaad (4-1); 3, Bowl Over (12-1). Nk, 2l. 13 ran. NR: Kuwait Star, The Mechanic. W Hastings-Bass. Tote: £1.70; £1.30, £1.70, £1.80. DF: £4.60. CSF: £5.04.

6.5 (1m 4f) 1, Royal Coach (Paul Eddery, 1-4 fav); 2, Bold Connection (16-1); 3, Mighty Flutter (4-1). Hd, 15l. 4 ran. H Cecil. TOTE: £1.20. DF: £4.20. CSF: £4.30.

6.30 (7f) 1, Gurteen Boy (A McGlone, 11-8 fav); 2, Salala (10-1); 3, Lemelasor (11-2). 1l, 1l. 12 ran. R Hannon. TOTE: £3.10; £1.40, £1.50, £1.30. DF: £14.30. CSF: £15.30. TRICAST: £52.63.

7.0 (7f) 1, Deadbolt (B Raymond, 11-4); 2, Maracas Girl (9-4 fav); 3, Stangrave (7-2). 1½l, sh hd. 5 ran. M Jarvis. TOTE: £4.00; £2.10, £1.10. DF: £3.30. CSF: £8.82.

7.30 (1m 2f) 1, Touch Lucky (D Williams, 5-2 jt-fav); 2, Another Angus (14-1); 3, Raginda (9-2). Sky By Night (5-2 jt fav). 1l, ½l. 8 ran. D Haydn Jones. TOTE: £3.10; £1.10, £3.00, £1.60. DF: £33.00. CSF: £31.25.

8.0 (5f) 1, Davill (A McGlone, 4-1); 2, Pink Blossoms (14-1); 3, Blue Train (4-1). El Golpe 11-4 fav. Hd, 2½l. 10 ran. NR: Dukeswood. J Winter. TOTE: £4.00; £1.70, £2.20, £1.80. DF: £36.00. CSF: £53.92.

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ATHLETICS

Redistribution of power vital to the future of Grand Prix

From Pat Butcher Zurich

All parties concerned in the Mobil Grand Prix – athletes, officials, promoters and sponsors – are of the mind that changes need to be made after this inaugural year, especially since next year the European and Commonwealth championships are being held at this busy part of the season.

The biggest drawback to the Grand Prix is the very nature of the sport. Athletics, unlike tennis, golf and motor racing, is a collection of disciplines, which at the extremes, like pole vaulting and distance runing, have nothing in common.

An additional problem has been the rule that each event – even though only half of the 35 events on the full programme are on the circuit – must have at least five out of the world's top 50 to qualify for points towards the final.

The "five in 50" rule will have to go. That would obviate the necessity to reduce the circuit from its present overloaded 15 meetings plus a final. Equally importantly, revolution among the lesser but necessary athletes can only be avoided by implementing a fairer pay structure.

Where the overall sponsors, Mobil, have wandered into a minefield is in believing that the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) had ultimate control of their circuit. That is not the case. The promoters, loosely formed into two cartels, one controlled from London, the other from Zurich, retain ultimate control of their meetings.

The IAAF's dedication to promoting their sport worldwide, something from which Mobil would eventually benefit, is also being short circuited by the independent promoters' retention of television rights. If not for sale to the highest bidders, then, for reasons which are not evident, news access (the few minutes that are usually beamed to a hundred countries) is not being permitted at many meetings.

That is something the IAAF, who have ended up conceding further power to the promoters by co-opting many of them onto the official marketing committee, need to clear up. And probably, more importantly, they need regular television coverage in the United States where athletics, incongruously for Mobil, its overall American sponsor, is not a major sport, and never will be until the IAAF find a more marketable form for their sport.

● Steve Cram, Sebastian Coe and Derek Redmond will almost certainly not compete for the Europe team in the World Cup in Canberra on October 4-6. But Sir Arthur Gold, the British president of the European Athletic Association, who chaired the team selection meeting in Moscow after the European Cup last weekend, said that, although he had heard that the British trio wanted to end their season earlier, he well remembered Brendan Foster saying the same thing eight years ago, and then regretting it later when he had not been selected.

So Sir Arthur's committee accorded Cram, Coe and Redmond "the honour of selection", knowing that the team will not come close to its final declaration until after the Mobil Grand Prix final in Rome on September 7.

Walker to pace Cram

John Walker, the first man to break 3min 50sec for the mile and holder of the world record for four years, has volunteered to act as a pacemaker for Steve Cram's world record attempt over two miles in the McVitie's challenge match at Crystal Palace on Monday.

Walker, now 33, has already seen his 2,000 metre record broken this season when Cram shaved .01sec off it in Budapest on July 4.

There will be three world record attempts at the McVitie's challenge. In addition to Cram's attempt to set his fourth record in 41 days, Norway's Ingrid Kristiansen is seeking to lower her own 5,000 metre world mark. Kristiansen is the only woman to have broken 15 minutes for the distance and has already smashed the world 10,000 metres record this season when she became the first woman to run under 31 minutes.

Fatima Whitbread, Britain's Olympic bronze and world silver medallist, will be making an attempt on the women's javelin record. She has thrown consistently round the 70 metre mark this season and has improved her personal best on two occasions.

If she succeeds at Crystal Palace she will win the Mum champagne challenge, worth £50,000, which it offers to the first British athlete to break a world record in Britain at the mile or an Olympic-recognised event.

MODERN PENTATHLON

Hungary for success: an exhausted Mizser finishes the cross-country run

Mizser is no stick in the mud as he runs to world title

From Michael Coleman, Melbourne

Attila Mizser lost a shoe in the mud just past the half way mark in the final, decisive cross-country race of the world modern pentathlon championships, but held off the challenge of Anatoly Starostin, of the Soviet Union, to win the title.

It was, surprisingly, Hungary's first title since Peter Kelemen's in 1970, although Andreas Balczo won the 1972 Olympic Games gold medal.

The super-fit Starostin, the Olympic champion in 1980 and world champion in 1983, never closed the five-second handicap as, to the delight of emigre Hungarians, but for whom these championships would have been bereft of spectators. Mizser kept his cool despite the knowledge that Starostin was pursuing him like a bloodhound.

"Next time I'll kick off the other shoe too," he said, as he pulled off a mud-caked sock. Up to now Mizser has been overshadowed by the promising Laszlo Fabian, recently a junior, but Fabian's low 186 earlier in the day on the pistol range – low, that is for a Hungarian – ruined his chances. It also enabled the Soviet Union to take the team title easily.

Richard Phelps made the best of the twists and turns to clock 12min 54sec, the third fastest time, lifting him to twentieth place, but his low 186 with the pistol kept his total down to a forgettable 4,964. Graham Brookhouse clawed his way up to 27th, a fine performance for a first-timer against state-backed athletes.

Up front, Italy's Daniele Masala, the Olympic champion, whose 198 in th morning has suggested a grandstand finish, lifting him as it did from seventh to fourth, crumpled in the mud to sixth. To his chagrin, his colleague, Carlo Massullo, produced the sort of finish which won him the Olympic bronze in Los Angeles, take fourth place from Milan Kadlec, who ran the fastest time of the day, 12:48.

FINAL RESULTS: Shooting: 1, P Masala (It), 1,088; equal 2, I Shvartz (USSR), A Avdeev (USSR), J Danielsson (Swe), all 1,066; equal 5, S Kopec (Pol), D Kreher (WG), D Kreher (WG), D Boube (Fr), all 1,044. British placings: 34, G Brookhouse and J Nowak, 189; 44, R Phelps, 186. **Cross-country:** 1, M Kadlec (Cz), 1,260pts; 2, M Burley (US), 1,244.41; 3, R Phelps (GB), 1,242.5; 4, C Massullo (It), 1,229.45; 5, A Mizser (Hun), 1,211.14; 6, A Starostin (USSR), 1,206.88. Other British placings: 11, Brookhouse, 1,184; 31, Nowak, 1,041. **Final individual standings:** 1, Mizser, 5,525pts; 2, Starostin, 5,505; 3, Shvartz, 5,362; 4, Massullo, 5,281; 5, Kadlec, 5,279; 6, Masala, 5,262. **Final team standings:** 1, Soviet Union, 16,069; 2, Hungary, 15,515; 3, Italy, 15,483; 4, France, 15,381; 5, Poland, 14,834; 6, United States, 14,805; 8, Britain, 14,554.

HANG GLIDING: Peter Harby, of Milton Keyes, travelling in front of a thunderstorm most of the day, glided 11 miles to take the lead in Group C of the 10th annual Masters Championships at Gradfather Mountain, North Carolina.

FOOTBALL

New code on safety and violence is adopted by UEFA

PARIS, (Reuter) – The European Football Union (UEFA) yesterday adopted a code aimed at improving safety and forestalling violence at "high risk" matches and told clubs they would be punished if they failed to enforce it. The UEFA executive committee agreed on measures, ranging from a ban on alcohol to control of ticket sales, to prevent a repeat of the violence which cost 39 lives at last May's European Cup final.

The new code will go into force this season and all clubs taking part in European competitions, which begin next month, must sign declarations committing themselves to the rules. "Sanctions will be imposed in case of non-observation", UEFA said in their "binding instructions".

English clubs have been banned from European competition indefinitely since the riot triggered by Liverpool fans at the final against Juventus, of Italy, in Brussels. UEFA will decide in Vienna on October 17 whether the English national team will be allowed to play in the next European Championship, Rudolf Rothenbuerger, the UEFA press spokesman, said.

"High risk" matches will comprise all European final and semi-final ties and all matches in the European Championship finals; games designated by UEFA as potentially explosive; games in which visiting supporters number over 3,000 or exceed 10 per cent of stadium capacity; capacity crowds or gates of over 50,000; matches likely to attract large numbers of foreign workers from the country of the visiting team.

All games involving English clubs on their return to Europe are likely to count as high-risk matches.

The UEFA officials took note of the Council of Europe convention on eliminating football violence and said they hoped it would be signed by all 21 council members. Britain and five other countries signed the document, agreed by European sports ministers in June, when it became open for signature on Monday.

The European politicians wanted a complete ban on ticket sales on European match days, but UEFA have agreed only to limit match-day sales to two tickets per person at high-risk games. UEFA measures also cover security inside the stadium and access routes, a ban on alcohol sales in stadiums and on taking alcohol into matches.

● Paris (Reuter) – The finals of European Football Union (UEFA) club competitions have been brought forward to give World Cup teams more time to prepare for the finals in Mexico next June.

The European Champions' Cup final will be held on May 7 instead of May 14, the Cup-Winners' Cup final on May 2, rather than May 7, while the two-leg UEFA Cup Final will be staged on April 30 and May 6 or 8.

Villa escape a late Liverpool surge

By Dennis Shaw

Aston Villa	**2**
Liverpool	**2**

A last-minute penalty save by Spink from Rush saved Aston Villa after Molby had equalized a late Walters goal in a superbly entertaining final 15 minutes at Villa Park.

Villa's record of only one win over Liverpool at Villa Park in their last six games was hardly conducive to home confidence, but early events dramatically changed that mood.

Within eight minutes Villa were a goal ahead, a reward for agressive and well controlled attacking play.

Liverpool's defenders were ill at ease with Villa's pace on a skidding, rain affected surface.

This was confirmed as Lawrenson allowed Shaw to take the ball from him near the halfway line and feed Walters on the left.

The winger, visibly more physically mature than in his first couple of seasons in the first team, beat Neal with good footwork to squeeze in a cross when seemingly blocked out. The Liverpool defence was caught unprepared, with Shaw moving in powerfully. Back in action after four knee operations, he squeezed the ball past Grobbelaar for his first goal at Villa Park for two years.

Liverpool's player-manager, Kenny Dalglish, had chosen Waslh in preference to himself and for a while his absence was all too apparent. There were obvious misleading signs of diminishing confidence in their ranks with few good passes for the front men to feed on.

Neal conjured a 20-yard shot that cleared the bar but Birch was closer to scoring with a similar effort. Villa were manifestly the more penetrating and two crosses from Walters, one high, one low, deserved better than to pass by untouched.

Villa's sharp, flowing play warranted more than their one goal lead and seven minutes before halftime Rush confirmed that it was not enough. Molby's free-kick from the right swerved through to the far post and the Welsh international was ominously ill-marked as he headed wide of Spink.

Liverpool's enduring capacity to soldier on and get their game right emerged once again. The service to their strikers improved steadily and Spink had to plunge hurriedly as Rush cunningly shielded the ball before delivering a low drive.

He then hooked over from close range as Villa found their share of possession constantly reduced. Walsh, clearly not match fit after his groin strain, was replaced by Johnston on the hour, Rush having been a solo threat.

Villa were also forced to send on their substitute, Daley replacing the injured Williams. Daley attempted to get Villa's nose back in front with a dazzling run but was injured in the process.

However, Daley's arrival gave Villa's attack the lift it needed as he helped Walters shoot them into a 2-1 lead after 77 minutes.

ASTON VILLA: N Spink; G Williams, T Dorigo, D Glover, B Ormsby, S McMahon, P Birch, G Shaw, A Gray, R Walker, M Walters.
LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; P Neal, A Kennedy, M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, P Walsh, S Nicol, I Rush, J Molby, J Beglin.
Referee: K Cooper (Pontypridd).

HOCKEY

Uninhibited England overcome

From Sydney Friskin
Vancouver

England	**1**
Pakistan	**4**

Andrews Ferns, England's captain, was knocked out by a blow on the jaw late in the second half of the group B match on Tuesday against Pakistan in the junior world cup tournament here. He was led off the field and taken to hsopital for examination.

The incident led to a penalty stroke which would have enabled England to cut Pakistan's 4-1 lead but Shahid Ali Khan, the Pakistan goalkeeper, saved well from David Roberts

This was an extraordinary match in which England cast care aside and troubled the Pakistanis on all fronts for fully 20 minutes.

England, so some people think, might have made a mistake by scoring first because it woke Pakistan up and after that the roof fell in on England. Thompson converted a short corner in the twenty second minute after the first shot from Roberts had been saved, but within a minute Pakistan equalized through Iftikhar Ahmed, their centre forward.

Wasiz Feroz put Pakistan ahead early in the second half from a short corner and after Iftikhar had scored two more goals he was replaced by Humtaz Haider.

Ferns who had complained of double vision, rejoined the team later on Tuesday after receiving treatment.

PAKISTAN: Shahid Ali Khan, Abdul Rashid, Qasi Mohib, Ayaz Mahmood Liaqua' 'Ali, Kwawaja Mohammed, Qasim Khan, Ajmal Khan, Iftikhar Ahmad (sub, (Mumtaz Haider), Farhat Hassan, Wasim Feroz.
ENGLAND: S Rowlands, P Bolland, D Roberts, J Roberts, ssoma Singh, D Willis, C Roberts, A Ferns (sub, D Camilleri), C Gladman, G Swayne, N Thompson.
Umpires: J Riemersma (The Netherlands) and P van Beneden (Belgium).
RESULTS: Group A: Zimbabwe 5, Chile 0; West Germany 9, Belgium 1; Group B: France 3, Egypt 1; Pakistan 4, England 1.

YACHTING

Kidds looking good for title

From a Correspondent
Kingston, Canada

Jamie and Hugh Kidd, of Canada, have gone into the lead on the third day of the International 14 world championships of Kingston, Canada. With five of the nine races sailed, they have had consistently good results and need only maintain a good average to take the overall title.

With the Canadian, Doug Harvey, taking the morning race from John Turner, of Britain, Jamie and Hugh Kidd persevered in the afternoon to take the gun.

RESULTS: Fourth race: 1, D Harvey and T Payne (Can); 2, J Turner and R Parslow (GB); 3, W Henderson and B Grant (GB). Fifth race: 1, J Kidd and H Kidd (Can); 2, K Bleasby and J Beasby; 3, J Hartley and I Tillet (GB). Overall: J Kidd, 14; R Yeoman (GB), 19.4; W Henderson, 21.7

FISHING

How to land a bit of Scots river

By Conrad Voss Bark

Buying a salmon river in Scotland is beyond the reach of any but millionaires and big city companies. The way in for the small man who wants a beat of his own is to buy a week on the river on a time-share basis which is his for one week in the season in perpetuity. it will cost him upwards of £6,000 for a time share on a salmon river and £2,000 for a sea trout beat.

Guy Galbraith, of the Edinburgh office of Savills, the estate and fishing agents, says: "Since time sharing became fashionable about two years ago the majority of fishings – probably higher than 75 per cent – which have been offered for sale have been bought by investors who then seek to sell them for time share."

One of the biggest investors is Salar Properties. Savills act as their agents. Why do not the owners of the fishing rights, mostly the big estates, put them on the market for time share themselves instead of selling to investors? The answer is probably that it is much easier and less trouble to sell the fishing to one big buyer who will organize the details of the time share and also take the risk.

***In the event all parties seem happy.* The owner has capitalized his assets and no doubt kept a week or so for his own exclusive use, the investors have made money, and the time sharers have a bit of the river to themselves for life. The only extra cost the time sharer faces is between £60 and £150 for the week to pay his share of the rates, the cost of the ghillie, boat, Land-Rover and so on.**

Time-share advertisements multiply in the fishing magazines. The anxiety must be that the standards are kept high and – and as one agent put it – the cowboys are kept out. Time share is a featured subjet at the National Farmers' Union fishery conference at the Hampshire College of Agriculture on September 13 and 14, when M B Firth, of Roxton's sporting agency, analyses costs, dangers and future developments.

LEADING FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES

Batting

Qualification: 10 innings

	Inn	NO	Runs	HS	Avge
I V A Richards	17	0	1260	322	74.11
G Boycott	28	10	1319	184	73.27
I T Botham	25	4	1442	152	68.66
Younis Ahmed	29	8	1413	177	67.28
C L Smith	30	3	1758	143*	65.11
R T Robinson	24	3	1364	175	64.95
Javed Miandad	28	6	1381	200*	62.77
C T Radley	30	11	1185	200	62.36
P Bainbridge	30	8	1353	151*	61.50
D L Bairstow	27	10	1040	122*	61.17
Imran Khan	17	6	669	117*	60.81
J G Wright	14	2	715	177*	59.58
W N Slack	36	7	1676	201*	57.79
D W Randall	38	7	1775	117	57.25
C E B Rice	25	7	1027	171*	57.05
G A Gooch	27	1	1480	202	56.92
M A Lynch	33	7	1471	145	56.57
M W Gatting	25	4	1173	160	55.85
D I Gower	22	2	1101	215	55.05
C W J Athey	31	5	1310	170	50.38
D A Thorne	20	3	849	124	49.94

*Not out

FASTEST HUNDRED: I T Botham (Somerset) in 50 balls v Warwickshire at Edgbaston on July 26

FIELDERS: M A Lynch 30 catches; G Miller 27; C W J Athey 23; B Roberts 22; V P Terry 22, B R Hardie 21.

Bowling

Qualification: 10 wickets in 10 innings.

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Avge
R M Ellison	342.1	88	906	53	17.09
M D Marshall	509.4	138	1301	75	17.34
G E Sainsbury	178	59	481	27	17.81
Imran Khan	356.4	98	865	47	18.40
A H Gray	465.2	92	1529	76	20.11
C A Walsh	323.1	93	1315	63	20.87
R J Hadlee	369.2	99	821	39	21.05
J Garner	183.1	56	430	20	21.50
Kapil Dev	304.5	83	805	37	21.75
N G Cowans	317.5	56	1172	54	21.70
P W J Allott	489.3	153	1129	51	22.13
M A Holding	236.5	49	689	31	22.22
L B Taylor	471.2	125	1095	49	22.34
T M Tremlett	518.1	135	1291	57	22.64
D A Graveney	337.5	117	768	33	23.27
K M Curran	380.4	88	1165	49	23.77
D V Lawrence	458.3	55	1770	73	24.24
R J Doughty	185.5	32	686	28	24.50
J P Agnew	402.4	83	1368	54	25.33
J K Lever	588.1	160	1604	63	25.46

BEST BOWLING: J P Agnew (Leices) 9 for 70 v Kent at Leicester on July 29.

WICKETKEEPERS: G W Humpage 73 dismissals (70 ct); D E East 58 (55 ct), R C Russell 57 (54 ct); M A Garnham 54 (47 ct); R J Parks 53 (50 ct); A P E Knott 53 (52 ct); B N French 52 (49 ct).

AUSTRALIAN TOUR AVERAGES

Batting

	Inn	NO	Runs	HS	Avge
D M Wellham	12	4	612	125*	76.50
A R Border	18	2	1156	196	72.25
D C Boon	20	5	838	206*	55.86
W B Phillips	20	3	865	128	50.88
G M Ritchie	20	2	872	146	48.44
S P O'Donnell	16	5	448	100*	40.72
K C Wessels	23	1	835	156	37.95
G M Wood	21	3	637	172	35.38
A M Hilditch	23	0	778	119	33.82
R B Phillips	5	1	99	39	24.75
G R J Matthews	12	3	216	51*	24.00
C J McDermott	11	3	151	53*	18.87
M H Bennett	6	2	71	23	17.75
J R Thomson	10	5	82	28*	16.40
G F Lawson	11	2	133	53	14.77
D R Gilbert	5	2	38	12	12.66
R G Holland	10	1	53	35	5.88

*Not out

Bowling

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Avge
J R Thomson	234.3	32	963	28	34.39
R G Holland	376.0	94	1017	29	35.06
C J McDermott	354.4	41	1379	39	35.35
G F Lawson	317.4	50	1064	27	39.40
D G Gilbert	189.2	32	670	16	41.87
G R J Matthews	159.4	34	521	12	43.41
M J Bennett	188.4	44	517	10	51.70

Also bowled: G M Ritchie 6.3-0-33-1; A R Border 9-1-29-0; A M Hilditch 3-0-19-0; D C Boon 6-0-33-0; K C Wessels 19-5-41-0.

TEST AVERAGES

England

Batting

	Inn	NO	Runs	HS	Avge
M W Gatting	8	3	523	160	104.60
D I Gower	8	0	575	215	71.87
R T Robinson	8	1	487	175	69.57
A J Lamb	7	1	255	67	42.50
J E Emburey	5	2	121	33	40.33
G A Gooch	8	0	291	74	36.37
I T Botham	7	0	238	85	34.00
P R Downton	6	1	98	54	19.60
P H Edmonds	4	0	35	21	8.75
P J W Allott	5	1	27	12	6.75

Also batted: P Willey 36, 3*; N G Cowans 22*; N A Foster 3, 0; A Sidebottom 2; J P Agnew 2*; R M Ellison 1 match – did not bat; L B Taylor 1 match – did not bat.

*Not out

Bowling

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Avge
J E Emburey	228.4	68	495	18	27.50
I T Botham	214.4	30	747	25	29.88
P H Edmonds	211.5	57	497	13	38.23
P J W Allott	111.0	22	297	5	59.40
N G Cowans	33.0	8	128	2	64.00

Also bowled: R M Ellison 40.5-12-104-10; G A Gooch 41.2-10-102-2; A Sidebottom 18.4-3-65-1; N A Foster 23-1-83-1; L B Taylor 39-9-105-1; M W Gatting 5.4-0-16-0; A J Lamb 1-0-10-0; J P Agnew 23-2-99-0.

Australia

Batting

	Inn	NO	Runs	HS	Avge
A R Border	9	2	501	196	71.57
A M J Hilditch	9	0	398	119	44.22
W B Phillips	9	1	322	91	40.25
G M Ritchie	9	0	352	146	39.11
K C Wessels	9	0	349	83	38.77
G M Wood	7	0	232	172	33.14
S P O'Donnell	8	1	184	48	26.28
G F Lawson	7	1	98	53	16.33
C J McDermott	7	1	76	35	15.20
D C Boon	7	0	124	61	17.71
R G Holland	5	1	15	10	5.00
J R Thomson	4	4	38	28*	–

Also batted: G R T Matthews 4, 17.

*Not out

Bowling

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Avge
C J McDermott	203.2	19	733	24	30.50
G F Lawson	216.4	28	729	18	40.50
R G Holland	172.0	41	465	6	77.50
S P O'Donnell	146.4	31	487	6	81.16
J R Thomson	56.0	4	275	3	91.66

Also Bowled: K C Wessels 3-2-2-0; G M Ritchie 1-0-10-0; G R J Matthews 9-2-21-0; A R Border 9-1-29-0.

MOTOR RACING

Jones and Lola take a bow

By John Blunsden

The new Beatrice Lola, the Formula One car in which Alan Jones, the 1980 world champion, will make his grand prix comeback at Monza next month, made its first public appearance yesterday driven around Brands Hatch by the 38-year-old Australian.

The car's appearance marks another stage in the creation of a new grand prix team from scratch in only eight months. In January, Carl Haas, the successful American racing team owner, announced his move into Formula One with the backing of the Beatrice Industries consumer products conglomerate. Since then a 29,000 sq ft racing headquarters has been built and fully equipped near Heathrow airport, a staff of 55 has been engaged, with a further 20 joining shortly, and a car has been designed, built and tested by Haas's UK associates, Formula One Racing Car Engineering (FORCE).

Three days of further tests at Donnington, beginning tomorrow, and another day's testing at Brands Hatch, will precede the car's appearance at the Italian Grand Prix.

The first two chassis (the second is nearing completion) will be powered by the British Hart engine, but next year, the Beatrice team will begin their three-year exclusive use of the forthcoming Ford Cosworth V6 turbo, the first example of which should be ready for installation in a chassis by the end of October.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

NatWest Trophy
Semi-finals: (11.0)
SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v Essex.
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Notts.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Ayr: Scotland v MCC (11.0 to 7.0)
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Portsmouth: Hampshire v Middlesex; Sittingbourne: Kent v Glamorgan; Peterborough: Northamptonshire v Lancashire; Steetley: Nottinghamshire v Warwickshire; Eastbourne: Sussex v Essex; Bradford: Yorkshire v Derbyshire.
UFI MINOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Weston-Super-Mare: Somerset II v Cornwall; Bridgnorth: Shropshire v Devon.

FOOTBALL

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Derby v Nottingham Forest (7.0); Huddersfield v Newcastle (7.30); Hull v Manchester City (7.0); Sheffield Wednesday v Barnsley (7.0). Second division: Preston v Rotherham (7.0); Sunderland v Bradford City (7.30).
OTHER MATCH: East Ham v Southend XI (6.15).

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: British women's stroke-play championships (at Formby); British Youths championships (at Ganton); British universities v All-American select (at St Andrews); Scottish professional championships (at Dalmahoy); Buchill Family Foursomes (at Walton-on-Thames).
BOWLS: Men's EBA championships (at Worthing)
SPEEDWAY: National league: Arena Essex v Mildenhall (7.30); Middlesbrough v Peterborough (7.30). Knock-out cup: Sheffield v Reading (7.30).
SQUASH RACKETS: Women's world championships (at Dublin).
SURFING: Fosters Masters (at Newquay).
TENNIS: British junior championships (at Eastbourne).

United have the look of title challengers

Manchester United will travel to Arsenal on Saturday boosted by their best start to a season for eight years. A goal in the 63rd minute by Bryan Robson, the England captain, gave United a 1-0 win at Ipswich on Tuesday night to follow their 4-0 victory over Aston Villa on Saturday.

Don Howe, the Arsenal manager, will be relishing the prospect of Saturday's encounter, as he was ecstatic after Arsenal defeated Southampton 3-2 at Highbury.

"That was the best of English football and if people don't want to come to watch that, they'll never come", he said.

Lapses by Mark Wright, the England centre half, were crucial as Tommy Caton and Stewart Robson put Arsenal in command. Tony Woodcock scored a third between two efforts from David Armstrong. Chris Nicholl, the Southampton manager, commented: "Being a centre half myself I can have a talk with Mark Wright and probably have a better chance of putting things right with him."

Adrian Heath celebrated his first league appearance since a bad knee injury last December, with both goals in Everton's 2-0 defeat of West Bromwich, while Frank McCavennie, West Ham's £340,000 summer signing from St Mirren, scored twice in the 3-1 win over **Queen's Park Rangers.**

"The fans didn't know what to expect so it was good to show them an early goal. The football down here is a bit quicker than in Scotland but if it goes on like this I will be well pleased", McCavennie said.

John Barnes was described by Graham Taylor, the **Watford** manager, as "the light in a scrappy game" after he had scored twice in the 3-0 defeat of **Birmingham.** Barnes also made the other for Colin West. David Speedie scored the 76th minute winner for **Chelsea** against **Coventry.**

Lawrie McMenemy returned to the south coast with his **Sunderland** team and saw them beaten 3-0 by **Portsmouth,** managed by Alan Ball, his former player. Ball's men missed a first-half penalty when Jim McDonagh saved superbly from Kevin Dillon, but Vince Hilaire, Dillon and Nicky Morgan were all on target after the break.

Mistakes by Chris Woods, the goalkeeper, led to **Norwich's** 2-1 reverse at **Blackburn.**

Last night's results

FIRST DIVISION: Manchester City 1, Leicester City 1; Newcastle Utd 2, Luton Town 2; Nottingham Forest 0, Sheffield Wednesday 1; Oxford United 1, Tottenham Hotspur 1.
SECOND DIVISION: Leeds United 0, Wimbledon 0.
MILK CUP: First round, first leg: Bradford City 2, Chesterfield 2; Colchester United 2, Millwall 3; Derby County 3, Hartlepool United 0; Hereford United 5, Bristol City 1; Mansfield Town 2, Middlesbrough 0; Peterborough United 0, Northampton Town 0; Reading 1, Bournemouth 3.
SKOL CUP: Second round: Aberdeen 5, Ayr United 0; Alloa Athletic 0, Dundee United 2; Brechin City 3, Falkirk 1; Clydebank 7, Raith Rovers 2; Hibernian 6, Cowdenbeath 0; Motherwell 1, Partick Thistle 0; Queen of the South 1, Celtic 4; Rangers 5, Clyde 0; St Johnstone 1, Airdrieonians 0; Stranraer 2, Dundee 3.

Webb replaced by Sims at Torquay

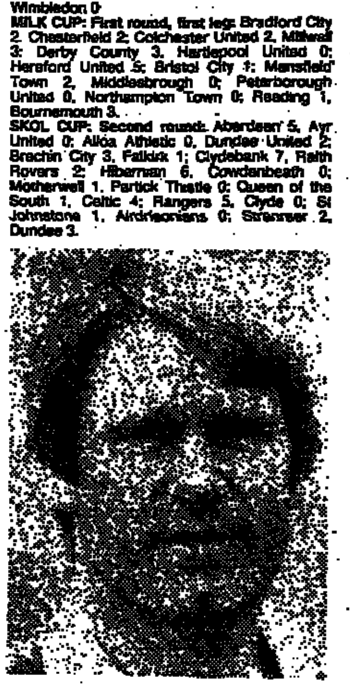
David Webb made himself the first managerial casualty of the new season yesterday. Webb stood down as manager of the fourth division club, Torquay United, after only two matches – both defeats. He handed over the team to the former Notts County and Plymouth Argyle forward John Sims, who was recently named as reserve player-manager.

Webb will concentrate on financial matters, including the rebuilding of Torquay's fire-damaged grandstand, while Sims attempts to lift the team, which finished bottom of the fourth division last season.

● Swansea City's directors met last night to appoint a new chairman and vice-chairman in place of Winston Rees and Doug Sharpe, who resigned their respective posts on Tuesday.

Mr Rees is the fourth chairman to resign in less than two years. He held the job for less than 12 months and left with Mr Sharpe, a former chairman, saying they felt the board had no confidence in them. They will remain as directors. Mel Nurse, a former Welsh international, is a candidate to fill one of the vacancies.

Swansea are more than £1 million in the red. The latest crisis which brought about the resignations was the result of an undertaking given by Nurse last week, when Mr Rees was away, that the club will pay £6,000-a-month to clear off the rent and rates debit it owes the city council. Mr Rees said: "We barely earn that much, I don't know how we can pay."



Webb: casualty

● The winger Neville Chamberlain, brother of Stoke City's England international Mark, signed for Mansfield Town yesterday. The transfer, for a "reasonable" fee, took place as the winger's one-month loan period at the club from Newport County came to an end. He marked his first appearance for Mansfield with a superb solo goal in Saturday's 4-0 victory over Hereford United.

Croker fear over ending of ban

By Clive White

Ted Croker, the FA Secretary, expressed concern yesterday about the number of English clubs who will be permitted to enter the UEFA Cup when and if England are readmitted to European competition. If the ban lasts three years, he feared that England would then probably only be entitled to one entry.

UEFA Cup qualification, realistically, is the chief target for most of England's leading clubs. But the number of clubs each country is allowed depends on placings in a European points table judged over the previous five years, which, until England's recent expulsion, we headed and were granted the maximum number of four clubs.

Mr Croker, who was speaking after the launching of the sixteenth edition of the Rothmans Football Year Book (Queen Anne Press, £9.95 paperback, £13.95 hard back), said he was pleased that UEFA would be reviewing the English problem at their meeting in February rather than in October.

It gave England more time to be seen that they were putting their house in order with regard to hooliganism. Mr Croker stressed that they had no wish to return to Europe until they had achieved this.

UEFA will also be interested to learn what progress England have made with regard to restricting the travel of its supporters abroad.

Mr Croker was at pains to point out that the behavious of the national team's supporters abroad had been relatively good in recent years, though, of course, there had been trouble outside stadiums and, therefore, outside UEFA's jurisdiction.

He said that the FA had started a press cutting service to keep an eye on any spectator trouble that other countries might be experiencing. "It is not an isolated situation," he said.

Club chief makes plea to Thatcher

John Crowther, chairman of Halifax Town, will be writing to the Prime Minister as a result of an attendance of only 820 for his club's home Milk Cup tie against Hull City on Tuesday night.

West Yorkshire council have set a limit of 1,700 at the Shay ground, all seated, until new crush barriers have been erected, and the police insisted that the match should be all-ticket.

What should have been a big attraction against their promoted neighbours resulted in a match played in an eerie atmosphere and Mr Crowther said: "An attendance of 820 is a direct result of Government legislation affectiong lower division clubs in a way I am sure it was never intended to do.

It was designed to deal with hooliganism at grounds where there are large crowds. Unless Mrs Thatcher relaxes this legislation it will be the ruin of clubs like Halifax. I am going to write to her and press her to relax it."

● If Blackburn Rovers had won promotion last season instead of having a good cup run with live television exposure they would probably have made a loss on the season instead of reporting a profit of £105,000 before taxation (a Special Correspondent writes).

Commenting on the Rovers' report and accounts, published today, the chairman, William Fox, says that if no television contract is signed this season clubs could miss out on this sort of windfall.

In making their profit Rovers have cut their outstanding total deficit from £400,000 to just over £200,000 in the space of two years.

High cost of not playing

Chester City yesterday were fined £2,500 and warned about their future conduct by a Football League commission after failing to play a Milk Cup first round first leg game at Tranmere on Tuesday night. They have not been removed from the competition, however.

The fourth division club were refused permission to postpone the game after claiming they could not field a team because of injury and illness. The punishment was imposed by a Football League commission at Old Trafford, and consisted of Alan Everiss (West Bromwich Albion), Geoff Smith (Watford) and Ian Jones (Doncaster).

Eric Barnes, the Chester chairman, said: "I had little choice because we only had seven fit players. I never expected to be called before a commission to answer charges. We are definitely going to appeal against the decision

Results from Tuesday

FIRST DIVISION: Arsenal 3, Southampton 2; Chelsea 1, Coventry City 0; Everton 2, West Bromwich Albion 0; Ipswich Town 0, Manchester United 1; Watford 3, Birmingham City 0; West Ham 3, Queen's Park Rangers 1.
SECOND DIVISION: Barnsley 3, Brighton 2; Blackburn Rovers 2, Norwich City 1; Grimsby Town 1, Huddersfield Town 1; Oldham Athletic 4, Shrewsbury Town 3; Portsmouth 3, Sunderland 0.
MILK CUP, First round, First leg: Aldershot 1, Orient 3; Bristol Rovers 2, Newport 0; Burnley 2, Bury 1; Cambridge 1, Brentford 1; Cardiff 2, Swansea 1; Charlton 1, Crystal Palace 2; Crewe 3, Carlisle 3; Darlington 3, Scunthorpe 2; Halifax 1, Hull 1; Notts Co 1, Doncaster 0; Plymouth 2, Exeter 1; Preston 2, Blackpool 1; Rotherham 1, Sheffield United 3; Southend 1, Gillingham 1; Torquay 1, Swindon 2; Walsall 1, Wolves 1; Wigan 2, Port Vale 1; Wrexham 4, Rochdale 0; York 2, Lincoln 1. Postponed: Tranmere v Chester.
SKOL CUP, Second Round: Hamilton 2, East Fife 0; Meadowbank 2, Forfar 3; Montrose 1, Hearts 3; St Mirren 3, Kilmarnock 1
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Postponed: Derby v Notts Forest.
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Fulham 0, Arsenal 6; Tottenham 2, Reading 0.
IRISH LEAGUE: Lombard Ulster Cup: Ards 1, Glentoran 3; Ballymena 0, Dundela 0; Cliftonville 5, Bangor 0; Larne 2, Coleraine 2; Linfield 4, Distillery 1; Newry Town 2, Portadown 4.
SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Arundel 2, Chichester 1; Hailsham 2, Peacehaven 2; Lancing 3, Horsham YMCA 2; Steyning Town 1, Burgess Hill 1; Three Bridges 1, Whitehawk 0. Second division: Albion United 1, Hassocks 1; Oakwood 0, East Grinstead 1; Pagham 5, Selsey 0; Storrington 2, Ferring 2.
LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Beaconsfield 0, Amersham 1; Brimsdown 2, Beckton 0; Danson 2, Swanley Town 0; Hanwell 0, Yeading 3; Waltham Abbey 0, Collier Row 2.
ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE: Burnham 1, Bowers 1; Canvey Island 2, Brentwood 3; East Ham 1, Ford 3; East Thurrock 3, Eton Manor 1; Maldon 1, Brightlingsea 1.

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RACING: WESTERN DANCER PROVIDES HORGAN WITH MOST IMPORTANT TRAINING SUCCESS IN TOTE–EBOR

Shardari verdict highlights flaw in Jockey Club rules

By Michael Seely

Disaster struck the fortunes of the Aga Khan. Michael Stoute and Walter Swinburn at York yesterday. Kazaroun, favourite at 9-4 to win the Tote-Ebor Handicap, could only finish eighth behind Western Dancer and Shardari was disqualified after defeating Damister by a neck in the Great Voltigeur Stakes.

This decision by the local stewards was nothing if not controversial. "I think it's unfair," Swinburn said "It was accidental. There was no way it could have affected the result."

Stoute intends to lodge an appeal against the verdict: "Tired horses are always inclined to roll about in soft ground. Everyone on the track saw that the best horse had won and I find the decision hard to understand. Walter had done everything in his power to avoid the bump and he was pulling Shardari up in the last five strides."

Pat Eddery, Damister's jockey, thought otherwise. "Walter came across me and gave me a good bump and I had to put my whip down," he said.

The pair had been involved in a sustained battle in the last furlong. When Swinburn first asked Shardari to go and win his race below the distance the 7-4 joint favourite was unable to quicken as Damister took a length advantage. The jockey then changed his whip from his left hand to his right and Shardari's stamina started to give him the upper hand.

Then as the colt started to hang to the left, Swinburn put down his whip. About 50 yards from the line Shardari and Damister collided. After Swinburn had eased Shardari, the margin between the pair at the winning post was a neck. Infantry finished six lengths away in third place.

After the press had watched the camera patrol film, Patrick Hibbert-Foy, the steward's secretary, said: "The stewards took into account the fact that Swinburn had put his whip down when deciding that the interference was accidental rather than being caused by careless riding on the jockey's part. But they also decided that the result could have been affected."

There was no common sense in the verdict. Damister was a beaten horse when the incident occurred and if Swinburn had ridden Shardari out to the line the winning margin would have been a length.

However, the fault lies more with the wording of the relevant rule, Jockey Club rule 153, than with the York stewards, who had been placed in the usual awkward dilemma. If the wording "Could the result have been affected" were to be replaced by "was the result affected "the issue would be clear-cut and in most cases the law of natural justice would take effect in that the benefit of the doubt would be given to the accused rather to the aggrieved.

Neither Stoute or Jeremy Tree had any firm plans for either Shardari or Damister after the dust of the altercation had settled. "Shardari is not in the St Ledger" the Newmarket trainer said. "He had a hard race today and I want to see how he gets over it."

Tree said that Damister was still engaged in the final classic but the Beckhampton trainer considered that Kahaled Abdulla's Mr Prospector colt was unlikely to stay the distance."

After Kazaroun's eclipse in the big race of the day, the stewards ordered a routine dope test to be taken. "The horse was unusually distressed and blew for a long time after the race," Stoute said. In an exciting race, Paul Cook drove Western Dancer clear of Broadleaf to win by 2½ lengths with Lemhill the same distance away third.

It was a third victory in the race for Cook. "I had a dream of a ride," he said. "Western Dancer was always going supremely well and I had to check him to prevent him hitting the front too soon. I thought he would run well but the ease of his win surprised me."

Western Dancer's victory gave Con Horgan his most important success as a trainer. The Irishman was assistant trainer to Ryan Price until he took over the licence at Findon at the beginning of 1983. In March this year Horgan moved to Wokingham where he now has 29 horses. "I told the owners that I would win the Ebor for them if they gave me plenty of time with the horse. He was most unlucky in the Bessborough Stakes at Ascot and was carrying a big weight when second last time out."

The whole racing world was delighted to see the revival of Peter Walwyn's fortunes continue when the Lambourn trainer landed a double with Stalker in the Scottish Equitable Gimcrack Stakes and La Tuerta in the Singapore Airlines Non-stop Handicap.

Joe Mercer rode both and Stalker was particularly impressive when beating the odds-on favourite, Storm Star, in the Gimcrack. "He's only a pony," Walwyn said, "but I don't mind that as good things often come in small parcels and I didn't have to go to Keeneland to buy him."

First leg of a York double for Joe Mercer and Peter Walwyn as La Tuerta holds the challenge of Peckitts Well in the Singapore Airlines Non-Stop Handicap

Never So Bold can join select band of sprinters

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Only Abernant (1949), Lochnager (1976) and Solinus (1978) have won the King's Stand Stakes, the July Cup and the William Hill Sprint championship (formerly the Nunthorpe) in the same season since the last war. Today at York, Never So Bold has the chance to join that elite group before he takes up stallion duties at the Brook Stud near Newmarket.

In a year when Never So Bold has been dogged by intermittent lameness, it is extraordinary to be able to report that he has never been better. If form at this level means anything at all, he should certainly extend his unbeaten sequence this term to four this afternoon.

Once I would have had qualms about him being able to give of his best on rain softened ground, and I know that his trainer, Robert Armstrong, felt the same until Never So Bold swept those reservations away with that utterly convincing performance at Ascot.

There he completely outpaced Primo Dominie, Prince Sabo, Princess Tracy and Jonacris to win the King's Stand by three lengths. He has since beaten Primo Dominie again in the July Cup when Aviance was also behind.

What he has accomplished before, he should manage again and he is my nap.

Never So Bold could easily be the middle leg of a Steve Cauthen treble, initiated by Digger's Rest in the Moorestyle Convivial Stakes and completed by Nothern Eternity in the Lowther Stakes. Digger's Rest ran well enough on his debut at Newmarket in the race won by Lead On Time to suggest that he can take care of Anzere and Sit This One Out.

Northern Eternity, one of several good two-year-old fillies trained by Ian Balding at Kingsclere, faces a difficult task against Bermuda Classic, Kingscote and Maysoon but I think she should just about accomplish it. At Newbury in July she gave 5lb and a beating to Nashia, who has paid her a compliment by winning twice in the meantime.

Equally important, on a line through Nashia, Measuring and Smooch, it is possible to argue that Northern Eternity has a little in hand of Kingscote.

Jeremy Tree, the Beckhampton trainer, poses a problem in the Bradford & Bingley Handicap, by running Portlaw in addition to Slaney. While Portlaw has an undeniably good record on the course, I am influenced by stable jockey Pat Eddery's decision to partner Slaney, who looks an up-and-coming three-year-old.

The comfortable Goodwood winner, Lucky Ring, and the lightly-weighted New Tick could form the hard core of his opposition. No matter how he fares on Portlaw, Tony Murray should win the Great Yorkshire Handicap on Positive, who fairly bolted home on soft ground at Salisbury eight days ago.

At Yarmouth, Michael Stoute will unveil what George Robinson, our Newmarket Correspondent, says is a decidedly smart racehorse in the making when he saddles Mashhor Dancer for the EBF Peddars Cross Maiden Stakes. By Northern Dancer out of a Round Table mare called Zonely, Mashhor Dancer is closely related to Topsider, a very fast horse in the United States, who is now doing well at stud there. Apparently Mashhor Dancer has inherited the family's speed.

Course specialists

YORK

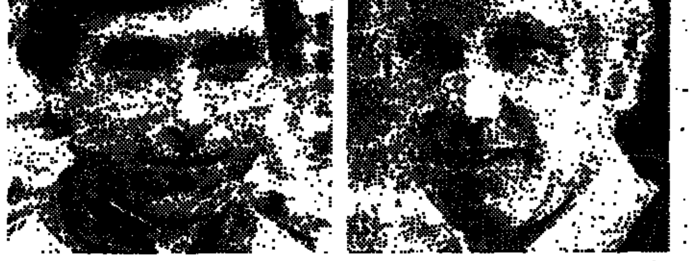
TRAINERS: J Dunlop, 21 winners from 71 runners, 29.6%; H Cecil, 27 from 100, 27.0%; J Tree, 19 from 70, 27.1%.

JOCKEYS: P Waldron, 10 winners from 41 rides, 24.4%; L Piggott, 54 from 269, 20.1%; W Carson, 50 from 251, 19.9%.

YARMOUTH

TRAINERS: H Cecil 59 winners from 164 runners, 36.0%; W O'Gorman, 19 from 93, 20.4%; M Stoute, 34 from 194, 17.5%.

JOCKEYS: A Kimberley, 13 winners from 67 rides, 19.4%; Paul Eddery, 8 from 42, 19.0%; R Guest, 11 from 76, 14.5%.



Steve Cauthen and Geoff Wragg who team up with Digger's Rest in the Moorestyle Convivial Maiden Stakes

YORK

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[Televised: 2.30, 3.10, 3.45, 4.15]

Going: good to soft

Draw advantage: 5f-6f, low numbers best on soft ground

2.0 CITY OF YORK STAKES (£4,815: 7f) (7 runners)

101	101200	HOOLIGAN (D) (H Marsh) P Rohan 5-9-7	J Bleasdale	3
102	0300-	DEASYS DELIGHT (Mrs J Grant) A James 4-8-4	J Mercer	2
103	1140-04	HADEER (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 3-9-3	W R Swinburn	6
104	1-12300	BRADDELLS (D) (B Haggas) J Hindley 3-9-0	M Hills	7
105	210031	FIELD HAND (R Sangster) B Hills 3-9-0	B Thomson	5
106	01100	SAN MERCURIALE (CD) (G Strawbridge) I Balding 3-9-0	Pat Eddery	1
109	040-206	MAIN STAR (D) (T Waite) T Fairhurst 3-8-11	M Beecroft	4

1984: Native Charmer 3-8-11 S Perks (16-1) R Hollinshead 9 ran.

11-4 Hadeer, 3 Field Hand, 9-2 Braddells, 6 San Mercuriale, 8 Hooligan, 9 Main Star, 12 Deasys Delight.

FORM: HOOLIGAN, UNPLACED LATEST, EARLIER (9-4) beat El Mansour (8-8) a short head at Ayr (7f, £3283, good, May 25, 7 ran) HADEER (8-11) a length 4th Tremblant (8-12) at Newmarket with BRADDELLS (8-10) a length further back in 5th (7f, £12818, good to firm, July 9, 18 ran): Earlier BRADDELLS (8-10) beat Andi Alja (7-12) ¾l with MAIN STAR (8-6) over 7l further back unplaced at Newmarket (7f, £4104, good, April 16, 15 ran). FIELD HAND (9-3) beat Soldat Bleu (9-3) 1½l at Ascot (1m, £3595, firm, July 27, 24 ran). SAN MERCURIALE (9-0) unplaced latest and before that 10l 5th of 8 to Sarab (9-4) at Haydock (7f, £15190, good to soft, June 8, 8 ran).
selection: FIELD HAND

York selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Hadeer. 2.30 Digger's Rest. 3.10 NEVER SO BOLD (Nap) 3.45 Slaney. 4.15 Northern Eternity. 4.45 Goody Blake. 5.15 Positve.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Hadeer. 2.30 Digger's Rest. 3.10 Never So Bold. 3.45 New Tick. 4.15 Maysoon. 4.45 Shadywood. 5.15 Positive.

By Michael Seely

3.45 NEW TICK (nap). 4.15 Maysoon. 5.15 Tremulous.

2.30 MOORESTYLE CONVIVIAL MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £5,025: 6f) (10)

201	3	ANZERE (BF) (B Haggas) J Hindley 9-0	M Hills	10
202		BELLEPHERON (Mrs S Khan) G Lewis 9-0	P Waldron	9
204	03	BRONZE OPAL (E Weinstein) A Jarvis 9-0	D Nicholls	6
205	3	DIGGER'S REST (Sir P Oppenheimer) G Wragg 9-0	S Cauthen	8
206		DRAGONARA BOY (J Rose) W Wharton 9-0	Pat Eddery	5
207		FERRY MEADOWS (Mrs J Van Geest) N Tinkler 9-0	W R Swinburn	4
208	0	KEN SIDDALL (M Watterson Ltd) J Glover 9-0	—	3
210		PAST GLORIES (N Hetherton) W Elsey 9-0	J Lowe	1
212	32	SIT THIS ONE OUT (P Goulandris) D Laing 9-0	W Carson	2
213	004	PATCHOULI'S PET (K Abou-Issa) P Kelleway 8-11	P Cook	7

1984: Locak Suitor 9-0 W Carson (15-8 fav) W Hern 9 ran.

15-8 Digger's Rest, 3 Bronze Opal, 5 Anzere, 6 Sit This One Out, 7 Patchouli's Pet, 10 Bellepheron, 16 others.

FORM: ANZERE (9-0) beaten 8l into 3rd by Cordonnet (9-0) at Newmarket (6f, £3400, good, Aug 3rd, 17 ran). BRONZE OPAL (-0) a 3½l 3rd to New Trojan (9-0) at Goodwood (7f, £4678, good to soft, Aug 2nd, 16 ran). DIGGERS REST (9-0) a 3l 3rd to Lead On Time (9-0) at Newmarket (6f, £3211, good to soft, Aug 10, 12 ran). SIT THIS ONE OUT (9-0) 1½l 2nd to Eve's Error (9-0) at Nottingham (6f, £1785, good, Aug 13, 12 ran). PATCHOULI'S PET (8-8) just over 3l 4th to Crate Cargo (9-4) at Folkestone (6f, £884, good to soft, Aug 5, 5 ran).
selection: DIGGERS REST

3.10 WILLIAM HILL SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP (Group I: £37,236: 5f) (7)

302	231-111	NEVER SO BOLD (C,D) (E Kessly) R Armstrong 5-9-0	S Cauthen	2
304	800-400	PRINCESS TRACY (D) (B) (K Flynn) M Cunningham (Ire) 4-8-11	W Carson	7
305	3-42241	PRIMO DOMINIE (C,D) (Cheveley Park Stud) M Stoute 3-8-10	W R Swinburn	5
306	00-4102	PRINCE SABO (CD) (Mrs R Daniels) G Lewis 3-8-10	Pat Eddery	6
307	413000	SHARP ROMANCE (D) (Sheikh M Al Sabah) K Brassey 3-8-10	S Whitworth	4
308	11-000	AVIANCE (S Niarchos) D O'Brien (Ire) 3-8-7	C Roche	1
309	00314-4	STORM WARNING (D) (K Fischer) W Hastings-Bass 3-8-7	L Piggott	3

1984: Committed 4-8-11 B Thomson (5-1) D Weld (Ire) 8 ran.

8-15 Never So Bold, 4 Primo Dominie, Prince Sabo, 12 Aviance, 16 Princess Tracy, Sharp Romance, 25 Storm Warning.

FORM: NEVER SO BOLD (9-6) beat Committed (9-3) 2½l at Newmarket (6f, £38596, Group 1, good to firm, July 11, 9 ran) with PRIMO DOMINIE (8-11) another 1½l away in 4th, and AVIANCE (8-8) a further 3l back in 6th. Last time PRIMO DOMINIE (8-13) beat PRINCE SABO (9-2) ½l at Goodwood (5f, £16335, Group 3, good, Aug 1, 11 ran) with STORM WARNING (8-2) 3l away in 4th. PRINCESS TRACY (9-9) 4½l 5th of 8 to the subsequently disqualified Double Schwartz (9-4) at Phoenix Park (6f, £9488, Group 3, good, July 27).
selection: NEVER SO BOLD

3.45 BRADFORD & BINGLEY HANDICAP (£17,428: 1m) (15)

401	0-42131	PORTLAW (CD) (S Niarchos) J Tree 4-10-0	A Murray	7
402	10200-3	MAJOR DON (D) (Mrs A Birkett) E Weymes 5-9-5	E Guest 5	15
403	0-32210	TRUCIDATOR (M Hartley) R Sheather 3-8-5	R Cochrane	4
405	001301	TREMBLANT (D) (K Abdulla) R Smyth 4-8-11	S Whitworth	12
406	103220	SEVERN BORE (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) F Durr 3-8-9	G Starkey	5
408	842041	VINTAGE TOLL (D) (D Cannon Ltd) J FitzGerald 5-8-8 (5 ex)	S Cauthen	1
409	3-21d	SLANEY (CD) (BF) (K Abdulla) J Tree 3-8-7	Pat Eddery	11
411	000022	SWINGING REBEL (C,D) (B) (Mrs G Waddingham) N Vigors 7-8-6	P Cook	9
414	1-1040	CONCORDE ISLAND (D) (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) B Hills 3-8-4	B Thomson	8
416	2-31021	LUCKY RING (D) (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 3-8-3	W Carson	3
417	000110	COME ON THE BLUES (D) (BF) (Mrs C Pateras) C Brittain 6-8-3	C Rutter 5	2
418	000200	QUALITAIR FLYER (C) (Qualitair Eng Ltd) K Stone 3-7-13	P Robinson	14
421	432102	SCOUTSMISTAKE (D) (Mrs G Hallett) B McMahon 6-7-9	T Williams	10
422	30-011	NEW TICK (D) (B Haggas) J Hindley 3-7-9 (5 ex)	A Shoults 5	6
424	309420	ROMOSS (D) (F Lafferty Co Ltd) R Whitaker 7-7-7	N Carlisle	13

1984: King of Clubs 3-8-12 Pat Eddery (11-1) I Balding 17 ran.

3 Lucky Ring, 5 Tremblant 13-2 Slaney, 7 New Trick, 8 Portlaw, 10 Trucidator, 12 Vintage Toll, Severn Bore, Concorde Island, 14 Swinging Rebel, Come On The Blues, 16 Major Don.

FORM: TREMBLANT (8-12) beat El Mansour (8-10) ¾l in the Bunbury Cup at Newmarket (7f, £12,817, good to firm, July 8, 18 ran) with SWINGING REBEL (9-3) outpaced in 9th. Subsequently SWINGING REBEL (9-7) a neck 2nd of 8 to Mazzi (9-7) in a Catterick apprentice event (7f, £735, firm, July 25) with MAJOR DON (9-7) a length away in 3rd, and VINTAGE TOLL (8-13) beat Scoutsmistake (9-10) 2½l at Pontefract (1m, £2,674, good, Aug 7, 11 ran). CONCORDE ISLAND 7th to Iroko last time, earlier (8-9) at Newmarket (1m, £11,162, good, July 20). LUCKY RING (8-13) beat Tantino (9-1) 3l at Goodwood (1m, £4,924, good to soft, July 30, 11 ran). NEW TICK (8-10) beat Nicoridge (8-10) at Newmarket (1m £3,636, good, Aug 3, 14 ran).
Selection: NEW TICK

4.15 LOWTHER STAKES (Group II: 2-y-o fillies: £14,904: 6f) (7)

501	0211	BERMUDA CLASSIC (D) (P O'Riordan) P Mullins (Ire) 9-2	W Carson	6
502	303041	HOTBEE (R Sangster) J Bridger 9-2	B Thomson	1
504	131	KINGSCOTE (D) (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-11	Pat Eddery	7
505	00	LA WINDMILL (G Steinberg) M Usher 8-11	P Cook	3
506	1	MAYSOON (D) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-11	W R Swinburn	2
508	11	NORTHERN ETERNITY (D) (Princess L Ruspoli) I Balding 8-11	S Cauthen	5
509	210	VILIDA (C) (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 8-11	P Robinson	

1984: Al Bahathri 8-11 A Murray (11-10 fav) H Thomson Jones 10 ran.

7-4 Kingscote, 15-8 Northern Eternity, 4 Bermuda Classic, 6 Maysoon, 12 Hotbee, 20 others.

FORM: BERMUDA CLASSIC, (9-1) beat Welsh Note (8-7) a neck at The Curragh (5f, Group 3, £8,579, good to yeilding, July 13, 8 ran). HOTBEE, (8-7) beat deadheaters Tussac (8-12) and WELSH NOTE (8-7) a neck at Goodwood (6f Group 3, £18,803, good to soft, July 30, 9 ran). KINGSCOTE, (8-12) beat Royal Nuget (8-8) ¾l at Ascot (6f, £8,842, firm, July 27, 11 ran). MAYSOON, (8-11) beat Cocotte (8-11) ½l in Ascot newcomers' event (6f, £7,316, firm, July 26, 8 ran). NORTHERN ETERNITY, (8-13) beat Nashia (8-8) a neck at Newbury (6f, £6,690, good to soft, July 19, 10 ran).
Selection: NORTHERN ETERNITY

4.45 GALTRES STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £7,739: 1m 4f) (10)

601	0-02118	CALL AGAIN (CD) (BF) (Col W Behrens) W Elsey 9-0	J Lowe	10
602	4212	SHADYWOOD (L Freedman) H Cecil 9-0	S Cauthen	9
603	184-333	CONSOLATION (Lord Rotherwick) W Hern 8-9	W Carson	8
604	013-200	DARBY LADY (B Schmidt-Bodner) M Ryan 8-9	P Robinson	2
605	0001	GENTLE QUEEN (Mrs R Skepper) J Winter 8-9	W R Swinburn	7
606	102130	GOODY BLAKE (H Morriss) G Wragg 8-9	L Piggott	1
607	40-401	HOME LATE (C Melville) B McMahon 8-9	S Perks	3
609	041	THREE STARS (D) (K Abdulla) B Hills 8-9	B Thomson	6
610	23101-0	ULTERIOR MOTIVE (Mrs D Abbott) J Dunlop 8-9	Pat Eddery	4
611	3	PRIMROSE VALLEY (Lord Halifax) J Dunlop 8-4	P Cook	5

1984: Borushka 8-9 K Darley (25-1) R Johnson Houghton 15 ran.

9-4 Goody Blake, 100-30 Shadywood, 4 Consolation, 6 Ulterior Motive, 7 Three Stars, 9 Darby Lady, 10 Call Again, 16 others.

FORM: CALL AGAIN, disappointing last time, earlier (8-13) beat Al-Walled (9-7) 6l over course and distance (£1,110, firm, July 12, 5 ran). SHADYWOOD, (8-11) 3l 2nd to Graecia Magna (8-11) in Haydock's Lancashire Oaks. CONSOLATION (8-11) a head away 3rd (1m 4f Group 3, £24,584, good to firm, July 6, 8 ran). DARBY LADY, (8-8) 5l 5th to Khozder (8-7) at Newmarket (1m 4f, £11,199, good to soft, Aug 10, 12 ran). GOODY BLAKE, only 9l behind Free Guest at Goodwood, previously (8-7) 6½l 3rd to Sally Brown (8-7) at Royal Ascot (1m 4f, Group 2, £31,560, good to firm, June 18, 10 ran). THREE STARS, (9-2) beat Easter Mystic (9-) a neck at Ripon (1m 4f, £1,897, good, July 20, 4 ran). ULTERIOR MOTIVE, behind on only start this season, last year (9-1) beat Fire Of Life (8-11) 3l at Newmarket (1m 2f, £9,861, good, Nov 3, 12 ran).
Selection: ULTERIOR MOTIVE

5.15 GREAT YORKSHIRE HANDICAP (£4,142: 1m 4f) (6)

3	123211	POSITIVE (D) (H McCalmont) Thomson Jones 3-9-11	A Murray	1
7	1	JESTO (R Mason) J FitzGerald 4-9-7	S Cauthen	3
11	903224	REGAL STEEL (D) (Steel Plate) R Hollinshead 7-9-3	S Perks	6
12	010033	JOLI WASFI (D) (D Nabki) M Haynes 4-9-0	R Fox	4
13	0-0291	TREMULOUS (D) (R Sangster) B Hills 3-8-10 (4 ex)	B Thomson	5
16	320130	VICKSTOWN (D) (Home & Trade Ltd) B Morgan 3-8-3	W Carson	2

1984: Coulee Queen 3-8-5 S Cauthen (4-1) B Hills 7 ran.

7-4 Positive, 3 Tremulous, 5 Regal Steel, 6 Jesto, 8 Joli Wasfi, 9 Vickstown.

FORM: POSITIVE (10-3) beat Hansard (10-13) in an amateurs event at Newmarket (1m 4f, £2,135, good, July 20, 12 ran). JESTO (9-2) short headed Ramadi Dawn (9-2) at Ripon (1m 1f, £2,108, April 17, soft, 15 ran). REGAL STEEL (8-0) 4½l 4th of 12 to Khoozder (8-7) at Newmarket (1m 4f, £11,198, good to soft, Aug 10, 12 ran). JOLI WASFI (7-9) a head and short head 3rd to Iroko (8-13) at Goodwood (1m 2f, £16,180, good to soft, Aug 3, 9 ran). TREMULOUS (8-11) Crinoline 2½l at Haydock (1m 4f, £2,044, good, Aug 10, 7 ran). VICKSTOWN last of 6 latest, earlier (8-6) beat Witchcraft (9-3) 3l at Wolverhampton (1m 4f, £3,194, good, July 22, 5 ran).
Selection: REGAL STEEL

Results from yesterday's three afternoon meetings

York

Going: good to soft

2.0 ROUS SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £5,844: 5f)

ALMOROSE Ch f by Northfields– Arriva(A Finney) 8-8 .... Pat Eddery (9-2 fav) 1
Sky Bird br g by Skyliner– Winbeam(M Brittain) 8-11 .... K Darley (25-1) 2
Catherines Well ch f by Junius– Restless Lady(Hippodrome Racing) 8-8 K Hodgson (6-1) 3

Also Ran: 9 Victoria Falls (4th), 10 Loudon Contace, Mrs Naughty, Shivering Cold, 12 Neds Expressa, 14 Gumash, 16 Herb Robert, 20 Galway Lad, Go Flamingo, 25 Baxtergate, Class Hopper, Shaftesbury Avenue, Tara Dancer (6th), Waloveyouwednesday (5th). 33 Champagne Popper, Folkewood, Kings Spea, Sea Jay, Chevet Lady, Larnem. 23 ran. 1½l, 1½, 1½, ½l, 1½l. J Sutcliffe Epsom.

TOTE: Win: 5.90. Places: £2.50, £42.00, £2.00. DF: £578.50. CSF: £105.26. 1min: 15.70sec.

2.30 (off) SINGAPORE AIRLINES 'NON STOP' HANDICAP (3-y-o: £8,439: 5f)

LA TUERTA ch f by Hot Spark– Smarten Up(Mrs R Kennard) 9-1 .... J Mercer (6-1) 1
Peckitts Well b f by Lochnager– Great Grey Niece(Mrs C Geratthy) 9-7 ... K Hodgson (6-1) 2
Philip b c by Kala Shikari– Cantaen Katie(D Marley) 8-13 .... L Charnock (16-1) 3

Also Ran: 7-4 fav Pettingale, 8 Swinging Gold (6th), 10 Be Lyrical, Perfect Timing (4th), 11 Puccini, 16 Easy Day (5th), 20 Workaday. 10 ran. ½l, 1½l, sh hd, nk, 3l. P Walwyn a Lambourn.

TOTE: Win: £6.50. Places: £1.50, £2.20, £3.70. DF: £15.00. CSF: £39.15.

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3.10 TOTE-EBOR HANDICAP (£41,560: 1m 6f)

WESTERN DANCER b g by Free State– Polyandrist(Mrs G Stone) 4-8-6 .... P Cook (20-1) 1
Broadleaf b cby Welsh Pageant– Pulchra(A Richards) 4-8-4 .... S Dawson (25-1) 2
Lemhill b cby He Loves Me– Moonscape(S Hinton) 3-8-6 .... R Cochrane (16-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Kazaroun 7 Meikleour, 9 Bespoke, 10 Kublai, 16 Clanrallier (6th), Dazario (5th), Leadburn, 20 Rhusted, 25 Chaumiere, Jamesmead, 33 Old Hubert, Rough Pearl, 50 Auchinlea, Jackdaw, 100 Borodino. 19 ran. 2½l, 2½l, 3l, ½l, 3l. C Horgan at Wokington.

TOTE: Win: £17.70. Places: £3.00, £3.40, £3.10, £3.40. DF: £174.90. CSF: £390.22. Tricast: £7,143.34. 3min 03.39sec.

Peter Walwyn: York double

3.45 SCOTTISH EQUITABLE GIMCRACK STAKES (Group II: 2-y-o: £35,334: 6f)

STALKER b cby Kala Shirkan– Tarvie(P F-Godley) 9-0 .... J Mercer (17-2) 1
Storm Star br f by Storm Bird– Cinegita(Princess Ruspoli) 8-11 .... Pat Eddery (5-6 fav) 2
Dee-Jay-Ess ch cby Moorestyle– Gold Rule(Roldvale Ltd) 9-0 .... S Cauthen (25-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-2 Prince Pecadillo (6th), 6 Lochonica (4th), 16 Priory Place (5th). 6 ran. 4l, nk, ¾l, hd, 4l. P Walwyn at Lambourn.

TOTE: Win: £8.70. Places: £2.60, £1.10. DF: £4.00. CSF: £15.54. 1min 15.01sec.

4.15 GREAT VOLTIGEUR STAKES (Group II: 3-y-o: £30,989: 1m 4f).

DAMISTER b c by Mr Prospector – Batucada (K Abdulla) 8-11 .... Pat Eddery –7-4 jt-fav) 1
Shardari b c by Top Ville – Sharmada (H H Aga Khan) 8-7 .... R Swinburn (7-4 jt-fav) 2
Infantry ch c by Northfields – Princess Tiara (R Sangster) 8-7 .... B Thomson (7-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 8 Mango Express (4th). 4 ran. NR: Nemeir, Reach. Nk, 6l, 7l. M Stoute at Newmarket.

TOTE: Win: £2.30. Place: £2.10. DF: £2.30. CSF: £4.88. 2min 42.35sec. Shardari was first past the post, with Damister 2nd. After a steward's inquiry, the placings of the first two were reversed.

4.45 PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES (2-y-o: £6,421: 5f)

HALLGATE b c by Vaigly Great – Beloved Mistress (Hippodromo racing) 8-11. K Hodgson (6-1) 1
Welsh Note b f by Sharpen Up – Gaelic Logic (Sheikh Mohammed) 8-8 .... Pat Eddery (5-2 fav) 2
Atall Atall b c by Kampala – Bint Africa (A Millward) 9-4 .... L Piggott (7-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 7 Runaway, 12 Dublin Lad, 14 Crete Cargo, Oh Boyer (6th), Viltash (5th), Farida Fair, 20 Camilla's Boy, Cronk's Quality (4th), 50 Puncie Creek. 12 ran. 2l, 1l, 3l, ¾l, sh hd. Miss S Hall at Leyburn.

TOTE: Win: £8.20. Places: £.200, £1.30, £1.70. DF: £12.10. CSF: £20.89. 1min 00.19sec. After an steward's inquiry, the result remained unaltered.

5.15 FALMOUTH HANDICAP (£4,409: 1m 1f)

ALL FAIR b c by Free State – Be Honest (T Glover) 4-7-12 .... J H Brown (12-1) 1
Milk Heart ch c by Steel Heart – Cafe Au Lait (Elisha Holding) 8-9-5 .... J Mercer (8-1) 2
Prince Lyph gr c by Bellypha – As You Desire Me (Mrs V Hue-Williams) 3-8-7 .... W R Swinburn (9-1) 3

Also Ran: 7-2 fav Advance, 1 Pictograph, 5 Indian Sign (6th), Tom Forrester (5th), 10 Adiyamann (4th), 25 Andrios, CBM Girl, Cowal Shore, 50 Scummage. 12 ran. 2½l, 2l, ½l, 4l, 1l. R Whitaker at Wetherby.

TOTE: Win: £21.00. Places: £3.00, £2.50, £3.70. DF: £107.50. CSF: £108.16. TRICAST: £932.10. 1min 55.70sec.
JACKPOT: Not won.
PLACEPOT: £116.05.

Yarmouth

Going: good

2.15 (1m 6f) 1, ELPLOTINO (Maxine Juster, 7-2); 2, Safe River (Sara Cumani, 6-5 fav); 3, Northern Hope (Sarah Kelleway, 40-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 Cheshire House (4th), 16 Bluff Cove (5th), 40 Babslad (6th), 100 Steady Dudley. 7 ran. NR: Lady Hemmingfield, Line Of Gold. 3l, 1½l, ½l, 6l, 10l. M Stoute at Newmarket. TOTE: £3.00; £1.40, £1.80. DF: £2.00. CSF: £7.37.

2.45 (5f 25yd) 1, CAMDEN PLACE (C Rate, 5-4 fav); 2, Haj (R Hills, 10-1); 3, Major Mistake (N Crowther, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 7 Fallonetta, 8 Kirby Cane (5th), 11 Gaywood Girl (4th), 16 Florispark (6th), 50 Magnolia Boy. 9 ran. 2½l, 1½l, sh hd, nk, 3l. B Hanbury at Newmarket. TOTE: £2.70; £1.40 £2.10, £1.10. DF: £14.10. CSF: 13.85. Bought in for £3,000 guineas.

3.15 (7f) 1, WIND FROM THE WEST (R Hills, 25-1); 2, Falta (A Murray, 6-1); 3, Royaber (G Sexton, 10-1); 4, Lady Clementine (D Dineley, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Out Of Hand, 6 Thirsty, 10 Game For A Laugh (6th), Jo Noble, 12 Emerald Eagle, 14 Rememberance (5th), 16 Bakers Double, Prince Baccara, 20 Always Native, 25 Ideolga, Melowen, Mel's Choice, 33 Velocidad, Commitment, Paradise Island. NR: Trooper Sergeant. 19 ran. Nk, 1½l, ¾l, hd, 1½l. P Haslam at Newmarket. TOTE: £30.70. £5.00, £1.40, £2.20, £1.80. DF: £94.30. CSF: £169.57. Tricast: £1497.53.

3.45 (6f) 1, FOR CERTAIN (P Robinson, 13-2); 2, Lap Of Honour (G Baxter, 4-5 fav); 3, Indian Flower (D Nicholls, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 7 Farmer Jock (6th), 8 Highland Image (5th), 12 Ever So (4th). 6 ran. 2½l, 1½l, ½l, 4l, 4l. E Eldin at Newmarket. TOTE: £5.00; £1.90, £1.10. DF: £2.50. CSF: £11.99.

4.15 (7f) 1, IVOR'S IMAGE (A Kimberley, 2-7 fav); 2, Quicksand (R Street, 12-1); 3, Dass Queen (D Nicholls, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 14 Diva Encore (5th), Sans Vous, 33 Clap Your Hands, Greenhill's Girl (6th), 50 Fandango Princess, Highest Note (4th), Miss Betel, Miss Blake, Planning Act. 12 ran. ½ hd, 1½l, ½l, 6l, 3l. M Stoute at Newmarket. TOTE: £1.70; £1.40, £2.00, £1.20. DF: £6.70. CSF: £5.22.

4.45 (1m) 1, SENTIMENTAL ROSES (A Munro, 11-4); 2, Arabian Moon (C White, 25-1); 3, Ma Petite Jolie (M Giles, 6-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Sallustio (6th), 12 Tovax (4th), 20 Finoon Caroline, Jesterinn, Talking Tam, 25 Chase Paperchase, 33 Princess Jenny (5th), 50 Redreed, Helen Shikari. 12 ran. 4l, nk, 1l, 1½l, hd. B Hills at Lambourn. TOTE: £4.00; £1.40, £6.60, £1.10. DF: £84.90. CSF: £59.71.

5.15 (1m 3f) 1, THORNY ROSE (G Baxter, 20-1); 2, Glas Y Dorlan (R Fox, 6-1); 3, Bolders (D Nicholls, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 jt-fav Inset Lady, Golden Glint, 6 Sea Trial (4th), Timid Bride, 8 Abeesh, 10 Colsterdale (5th), 14 In A Flash, 20 Pyrotechnic, 33 Sunapa's Owlet (6th), Albaciyna, Miss Sagaro. 14 ran. 5l, 5l, 2½l 1½l, 1l. W J Musson at Newmarket. TOTE £38.60; £7.90, £2.10, £4.40. DF: £192.50. CSF: £127.98. Tricast: £1,795.96.

5.40 (7f) 1, MIDWAY LADY (A Weiss, 9-1) 2, Brazzaka (W Woods, 6-1); 3, Alchaasibiyeh (A Murray, 4-7 fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Piller (5th), 16 Home Fleet, Miss Brandy, 20 Forn Veil (6th), 25 Deserted, 33 Abigail's Gem, Emerald Wave, Lady Topsin, Raja Moulana (4th). 12 ran. 4l, 1½l, 3l, 4l, 2½l. B Hanbury at Newmarket. TOTE: £6.50; £2.10, £3.60, £1.30. DF: £28.70. CSF: £63.51.
PLACEPOT: £2.60.

Devon and Exeter

Going: hdle, good; ch, good to firm

2.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Stick Of Rock (H Davies, 4-6 fav); 2, Derryrison (20-1); 3, Conor's Rock (12-1). 15l, 10, 10 ran. D Barons. TOTE: £1.60; £1.10, £3.20, £3.10. DF: £16.70. CSF: £14.98.

3.0 (2m 1f ch) 1, Deep Ridge (R Plumb, 4-9 fav); 2, Boyne Hill (7-2); 3, Courting Boy (7-1). 15l, 1½l, 3 ran. Mrs M Rimell. TOTE: £1.30; DF: £1.50. CSF: £2.31.

3.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Honeydew Wonder (R Arnott, 4-9 fav); 2, Border Gem (16-1); 3, Carado (11-2). 6l, 8l. 8 ran. D Elsworth. TOTE: £1.70; £1.10, £1.90, £1.50. DF: £4.90. CSF: £8.48.

4.0 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Bellemuse (R Hyett, evens fav); 2, To-Pailikan-Mou (20-1); 3, I Wonder When (2-1). 6l, 8l. 5 ran. F Jordan. TOTE: £2.20; £1.50, £1.50. DF: £5.80. CSF: £14.35.

4.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Preordination (P Leach, evens fav); 2, Tremar Lad (7-4); 3, Wells Rodeo (14-1). 3l, 1l. 9 ran. NR: Copper Express. M Pipe. TOTE: £2.20; £1.50, £1.10, £5.20. DF: £2.90. CSF: £4.16.

5.0 (2m 6f ch) 1, My Bonnie Prince (B Powell, 6-4 fav); 2, Princess Isis (8-1); 3, Poncer Buskins (25-1). 8l, 5l, 12 ran. NR: Tony Lad. G Ham. TOTE: £2.20; £1.20, £2.40, £3.00. DF: £7.00. CSF: £14.28.
PLACEPOT: £1.70.

Blinkered first time

YARMOUTH: 2.15 Magnetic Charm. 3.15 Rainbow Delight, Arfur Daley. 4.45 Slydonbye. YORK: 3.10 Princess Tracy.

YARMOUTH

Going: good

Draw advantage: none

2.15 WELLINGTON PIER MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o C & G: £941: 7f) (14 runners)

1	2	AFRICAN REX W Jarvis 9-0	T Quinn	12
2	0	AGATHIST G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0	G Duffield	4
5		ARROW EXPRESS R Armstrong 9-0	P Tulk	3
6	0	BRAVE AND BOLD N Callaghan 9-0	B Raymond	14
10		FOUL SHOT W Musson 9-0	M Wigham	13
13	0030	IDEALLY F Durr 9-0	G Baxter	9
15	0	MAGALDI M Ryan 9-0	P Bloomfield	10
16	0	MAGNETIC CHARM (B) D Thom 9-0	M L Thomas	5
17	22	MASHKOUR (BF) H Cecil 9-0	Paul Eddery	1
18		MILTESCENS A Jarvis 9-0	W Ryan	2
19	0	MISAAFF H Thomson Jones 9-0	R Hills	6
20		NORTHERN AMETHYST G Huffer 9-0	G Carter 5	7
23		SHIBIL M Stoute 9-0	K Bradshaw 5	8
24	0	SOFT SHOE SHUFFLE R Armstrong 9-0	G Sexton	11

1984: Royal Coach 9-0 Paul Eddery (4-11 fav) H Cecil 8 ran.

4-7 Mashkour, 5 Shibil, 6 African Tex, 10 Misaaf, Agathist, 16 Arrow Express, 20 others.

Yarmouth selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Mashkour. 2.45 Donavan's Choice. 3.15 Sohail. 3.45 Leinster Lad. 4.15 Mashhor Dancer. 4.45 Coombe Forest.

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2.45 SKOL LAGER HANDICAP (£1,833: 1m 2f) (10)

3	0211	EL-FAYEZ G Huffer 3-9-12 (5 ex)	G Carter 5	2
5	2001	TIVIAN (B) Mrs J Reavey 5-9-8 (5 ex)	N Day	7
6	0001	ARCHIPENKO B Hills 3-9-5	R Hills	5
10	4311	DONAVAN'S CHOICE (B) (CD) M Ryan 3-9-4 (5 ex)	P Bloomfield	6
12	0030	CAPEL CURIG (D) B Hobbs 3-8-13	G Baxter	3
14	0032	PUBBY J Toller 4-8-11	R Carter 7	1
16	0400	QUALITAIR PRINCE (C) (D) M Ryan 6-8-9	R Still	4
18	4-410	WESTWAY LAD (C) M Hinchliffe 6-8-8	R Lines 3	9
19	0010	PAMELA HEANEY N Callaghan 3-8-6	M L Thomas	10
21	0041	PRONUPTIA BRIDE (C) D Dale 4-7-12	G Dickie	8

1984: Holmbury 4-10-0 M Miller (11-8 fav) G Huffer 8 ran.

9-4 Donovan's Choice, 3 Archipenko, 9-2 Pubby, 5 El-Fayez, 7 Tivian, 10 Capel Curig, 14 Westway Lad, 16 others.

3.15 IND COOPE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: 7f) (6)

1	142	TUCSON PRINCESS (C) G Huffer 9-7	G Carter 5	2
4	203	SOHAIL H Thomson Jones 9-4	R Hills	6
5	024	RAINBOW DELIGHT (B) B Hanbury 8-3	C Rate	7
6	0404	SPROWSTON BOY P Kelleway 8-1	T Quinn	3
7	4100	ARFUR DALY (B) C Tinkler 8-0	G Duffield	5
9	0340	SPECIAL GUEST D Morley 7-7	W Woods 5	4

1984: Double Limit 7-7 M Fry (16-1) A Jarvis 8 ran.

5-4 Sohail, 11-4 Tucson Princess, 6 Arfur Daley, 7 Rainbow Delight, Sprowston Boy, 10 Special Guest.

3.45 JOHN BECKETT MAIDEN STAKES (£1,124: 1m 6f) (10)

1	4220	SANDYLA (B) D Thom 4-9-5	G Baxter	4
3	4-222	BARONCOURT (BF) H Cecil 3-8-7	Paul Eddery	6
5	0042	CHASING THE DRAGON D Ringer 3-8-7	P D'Arcy	2
8	4432	LEINSTER LAD J Dunlop 3-8-7	B Raymond	10
11	0	OLEANDRIN A Hide 3-8-7	R Guest	8
12	0	PAINTED THUNDER W Hastings-Bass 3-8-7	R Lines 3	3
13	2430	RAHIB P Walwyn 3-8-7	R Hills	7
15	00	SUNSMUS W O'Gorman 3-8-7	—	8
16	04	TAN BIT G Vergette 3-8-7	M Wigham	5
17	0000	UNDECIDED C Brittain 3-8-7	G Duffield	1

1984: Kawkab 3-8-4 R Hills (2-1 fav) H Thomson Jones 10 ran.

7-4 Baroncourt, 15-8 Leinster Lad, 7-2 Chasing The Dragon, 10 Rahib, 16 Undecided, 20 others.

4.15 E B F PEDDARS CROSS MAIDEN STAKES (£1,384: 6f) (12)

1	0	ABSOLUTE MASTER M Jarvis 9-0	B Raymond	11
2		AL KAAHIR H Thomson Jones 9-0	R Hills	10
4		ATHLETE'S WEEK M Prescott 9-0	G Duffield	12
6	0	CENTURY PARK R Armstrong 9-0	G Sexton	4
7	000	COUNT BRONOWSKI W Guest 9-0	Paul Eddery	6
10	004	DOUBLE CHAIR (B) A Jarvis 9-0	W Ryan	8
11	000	GLORIANT M Brittain 9-0	B Coogan	9
13		MASHHOR DANCER M Stoute 9-0	A Kimberley	7
17	0	QUALITAIR KING M Ryan 9-0	P Bloomfield	1
18	0	SIMPLE ENDEAVOUR G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0	T Quinn	5
20	0	TARLETON'S OAK H Thomson Jones 9-0	R Lines 3	3
21	0000	TOUCH OF GREY D Thom 9-0	R Guest	2

1984: Major Forum 9-0 A Kimberley (5-4) M Stoute 5 ran.

4-5 Mashhor Dancer, 2 Al Kaahir, 7-2 Double Chai, 8 Century Park, 12 Qualitair King, 14 others.

4.45 MAGDALEN ESTATE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,842: 1m) (12)

4	0400	ERNIE BILKO (B) C Tinkler 9-7	B Raymond	6
5	10041	ITS MY TURN (D) R Hollinshead 9-6 (5 ex)	W Ryan	4
7	0410	PALMION (D) P Walwyn 9-2	Paul Eddery	10
8	0-000	DIKLO A Hide 9-1	P Bretts 7	2
9	0003	MITCHSIDER (B) M Ryan 9-0	M Giles	5
11	004	SLYDONBYE (B) D Thom 8-13	G Duffield	12
12	040	SANDRA'S CHOICE J Hindley 8-11	R Hills	9
13	4000	TOPSOIL (D) R Simpson 8-11	K Radcliffe 7	7
14	0001	COOMBE FOREST (C) E Eldin 8-11 (5 ex)	A Mackay	1
15	0004	LONDON LEADER M Brittain 8-10	B Coogan	11
16	4040	NASREEN'S PET F Durr 8-10	W Woods 5	8
17	0000	CAROLYNCHRISTENSEN (D) N Callaghan 8-6	M L Thomas	3

1984: Pronuptia Bride 7-8 R Lines (11-2) D Dale 10 ran.

11-4 Coombe Forest, 3 Its My Turn, 9-2 Palmion, 5 Mitchsider, 8 London Leader, 10 Ernie Bilko, 14 others.

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2.30 BICKINGTON NOVICE HURDLE (539: 2m 1f) (14 runners)

1	3	BOWDENS LANE J Baker 5-10-10	C Brown
2	2-040	CELTIC CRACKLE (B) P Cundell 5-10-10	A Gorman
3	2f-	FRAUD SQUAD R Williams 6-10-10	S Earle 4
5	b000-	LEVANT WAY W E Fisher 5-10-10	NON–RUNNER
7		MR EXTROVERT D Wintle 6-10-10	A Carroll
8		ROLSTER BRIDGE N Kernick 5-10-10	M Yeoman 7
9	ff4-0	ROWDEN RULER D R Tucker 6-10-10	S McNeill
10	3	SIX SHOT L Kennard 5-10-10	B Powell
12	20-	TORO D Barons 5-10-10	H Davies
13	000-	CATON BOY A Dunn 4-10-7	Philip Hobbs
15	0-	JOHN SAM K Dunn 4-10-7	L Bloomfield 4
16	000-	REDDINGS LAD J Cosgrave 4-10-7	P Nicholls
17	4p0-p	BASSINET G Thorner 5-10-5	P Barton
18	02-2	GOLDEN HOME M Pipe 4-10-2	P Leach

1984: Pridden Jimmy 5-10-11 B Wright (7-2) T Hallett 6 ran.

15-8 Six Shot, 5-2 Golden Home, 5 Bowdens Lane, 7 Toro, 10 Celtic Cracker, 14 Fraud Squad, 16 others.

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2.30 Fraud Squad. 3.0 Sailing By. 3.30 Rockfield Boy. 4.0 Optimosa. 4.30 Morice. 5.0 King Spence.

3.0 M5 NOVICE HURDLE (£537: 2m 5f) (11)

1	3-114	SAILING BY (C) (BF) J Jenkins 7-11-8	S Smith-Eccles
2	30p-1	CONOR'S ROCK (C) D R Tucker 5-11-1	S McNeill
4	pp0-	ASHCOMBE T Bulgin 6-10-10	—
5	ppp/0	CELTIC MARCH P Pritchard 5-10-10	C Mann
6	000-1	CRACKERJILL Mrs E Kennard 8-10-10	W Worthington 7
8	0/f-0	GIROL D Gandolfo 7-10-10	G McCourt
9	0002-	GOLDEN DELICIOUS D Barons 5-10-10	H Davies
10	f0fp-	GRAND REVIEW D Jermy 9-10-10	G Old
15		MARY MIGHT K W Dunn 5-10-5	L Bloomfield 4
16	4004-	SINGING TROOPER N Mitchell 6-10-5	B Powell
17	4400-	CHASE THE CLOUDS W R Williams 4-10-2	A Jones 4

1984: Dinner Date 5-10-10 S McNeill (2-7 fav) D Tucker 3 ran.

11-10 Sailing By, 100-30 Golden Delicious, 5 Conor's Rock, 8 Crackerjill, 12 Singing Trooper, Chase The Clouds, 16 others.

3.30 'MOUSETRAP' CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£1,350: 2m 1f) (5)

1	/1-21	LEODEGRANCE (C) L Kennard 9-12-0 (4 ex)	B Powell
2	d324-	NORTH YARD P Hobbs 9-11-8	Philip Hobbs
7	210-2	SLIEVE BRACKEN (B) W Clay 9-10-3	S J O'Neill
9	3p-1f	ROCKFIELD BOY (CD) J Jenkins 8-10- (4 ex)	S Sherwood
11	p00-2	WESTER ROSS W R Williams 8-10-0	A Jones 4

1984: Some Jinks 8-11-5 S O'Neill (5-4 fav) W Clay 4 ran.

13-8 Leodegrance, 3 Rockfield Boy, 9-2 Slieve Bracken, 6 North Yard, 8 Wester Ross.

4.0 TOPSHAM NOVICE SELLING HURDLE (£536: 2m 1f) (7)

3	44/0	THE BRU M Pipe 5-11-3	P Leach
5	00-p	UNCLE GUSSIE D Wintle 5-11-3	A Carroll
6		BONITO NINO R Hodges 4-11-0	S Earle 4
7	0400-	FORGE CLOSE J Baker 4-11-0	C Brown
9	0044-	SPARKLER SPIRIT A Pitt 4-11-0	R Dunwoody
12	00	OPTIMOSA R Frost 3-10-5	J Frost
13		SHAMIM'S PRIDE D Jermy 3-10-5	G Old

1984: Ardent Warrior 5-10-10 S Earle (1-2 fav) R Hodges 2 ran.

2 Sparkler Spirit, 3 The Bru, 4 Forge Close, 5 Shamim's Pride, 6 Optimosa, 12 Bonito, 16 Uncle Gussie.

4.30 WHITESTONE CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HURDLE (£697: 2m 1f) (7)

2	0211-	MORICE M Pipe 7-11-10	J Lower 5
4	f011-	TIGHT TURN (CD) R Frost 6-11-10	C Hopwood 5
7	002-0	PAMPERED GIPSY J H Baker 6-11-6	C Evans 5
11	223-2	KASSAK D Elsworth 9-11-0	P Holley 5
12	p0pp-	SWIFT ENCOUNTER N B Thomson 8-11-0	D Morris 5
14	4p-43	VICTOR DUB (B) M Castell 7-11-0	K Traylor 5
16	p000-	IN CONFIDENCE R Blakeney 7-10-9	Judy Blakeney 5

1984: Nutty Slack 6-11-5 W Hayes (4-6 fav) J Spearing 8 ran.

11-10 Kassak, 9-4 Tight Turn, 13-2 Morice, 8 Victor Dub, 14 Pampered Gipsy, 20 others.

5.0 VISCOUNTESS PETERSHAM TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (£1,394: 3m 1f) (9)

3	p303-	KING SPRUCE R Champion 11-11-9	Mrs J Carrier
5	331-2	BALLYCARN (C) L Kennard 10-10-13	B Powell
6	20-0p	JIMMY MIFF (CD) I Wardle 13-10-10	R Rowe
7	10p-p	LEXADOR J Edwards 7-10-2	P Barton
8	2013-	QUITE HOT (D) N Ayliffe 6-10-1	M Ayliffe
9	0p-00	NO RETREAT P Pritchard 13-10-0	P Dever
10	32-0p	TANGO SHANDY L Cottrell 10-10-0	Mr L Harvey 7
11	444-1	BARGELLO SON (CD) N Kernick 8-10-0 (4 ex)	George Knight
12	000p-	SABI (D) N Thomson 11-10-0	D Morris 7

1984: Highland Drake 11-10-1 R Rowe (5-2 jt-fav) I Wardle 5 ran.

6-4 Bargello Son, 4 Ballycarn, 11-2 King Spruce, 7-2 Quite Hot, 10 Jimmy Miff, No Retreat, 14 others.

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Staff management must adopt a more innovative approach to cope with future challenges,

David McGill says

Recessions make companies wary of taking risks exactly when, paradoxically, new initiatives are vital for industry's long-term recovery. *When conditions get tough it is no* surprise that people keep their heads down – a dangerous practice in the long-term, not least in the area of staff management.

With everything else in the world of business changing so fundamentally, it is no use pretending these difficult times will go away so that personnel management can return to the practices of the past 25 years.

The crunch has come. The relaxed, easy-going staff management systems of the 1960s and 1970s are no longer relevant. Today's personnel problems demand a new, more innovative approach if employers are to develop policies fit for the 1990s.

Virtually all employers face severe promotion blockages. Age distributions have a large concentration of 35 to 50 year olds, many without the skills – or even aptitudes – that will be required in the 1990s. Large numbers of staff are trapped at the top of payment scales. Better career structures and payment systems are needed to retain key specialist groups. Such developments have important implications for management motivation and salary structures.

Traditionally, white-collar employment has been underpinned by an implicit bargain: in return for loyalty and hard work, the employer has provided job security and career progression. However traumatic it may be for both employer and employee, this implicit loyalty agreement cannot be sustained in the face of the emerging problems and the needs of the future. It must be replaced by an explicit performance contract.

White-collar staff will need to be flexible in the face of change just as much as blue-collar. A new philosophy of *adaptability* and *risk-taking* needs to be fostered, as well as greater mobility, both geographically, between employers and in terms of skill changes.

Will personnel managers brought up in the old ways be able to cope with these new demands? Too often, like drowning men clinging to rafts, they have stuck to the old traditions of rewarding and motivating managers.

In the face of dwindling promotion opportunities, the response has usually been to increase the number of senior jobs and to retire senior staff early. Rare is the employer who has a lower proportion of jobs at senior levels now than 10 years ago.

Even when, from the early 1980s, discerning commentators outside and within industry realized that things would never be the same again, there was no real effort to overhaul personnel policies radically. The changes made were only playing around the margin.

Today's favourite buzz-words, "management of change", are merely taken to imply changes that will cut costs and will largely affect the non-managerial workforce. There is little talk of managing changes to increase innovation and income. Five years have been wasted.

Most personnel managers are systems administrators; and the systems are out of date. The response to any event, either outside or within the company, is reactive and viewed with alarm if it threatens the system. Discussions tend to be about modification and amendment rather than replacement.

So the industrial relations stream of personnel has typically been the route to senior positions because it is when they come into conflict with employees or unions that systems are most likely to break down. The good industrial relations manager can minimize these threats to the systems.

Notwithstanding these criticisms, personnel *has improved its status* and power base in many companies. The reason is again related to defence and maintenance of the personnel systems. Recession has forced employers to shed labour on a huge scale – another threat to the system has had to be monitored and handled with care. Can personnel use this increased authority to cope with the problems of today?

The first consideration must be whether any solutions can be found to these considerable issues. It would be easy to suggest there are absolute answers. But research and experience of advising companies do suggest there are certain approaches that might help. These approaches cover such areas as contract of employment, working time, retraining, management development, appraisal and payment systems.

Those few companies which have introduced changes in these areas have been pleased with the results and feel better equipped to face the future. In these companies, most of them relatively small, the need to be innovative and pro-active in designing personnel policies has been accepted.

The objective of personnel managers must be to design policies which will allow the organization to achieve its corporate objectives. This covers a whole range of activities from assisting the line manager to run his part of the operation as efficiently as possible, to helping senior managers draw up policies for the entire organization.

Corporate objectives almost everywhere are demanding new directions and new approaches. To help meet these demands, personnel managers are having to change from the systems administrators of old to innovative consultants.

They must work closely with other managers in the organization in order to understand the business and the implications of future strategies, and to work out and gain acceptance for new personnel approaches.

These new approaches need to be innovative, forward-looking and, very important, geared to the specific needs of the business. It will *not* be enough to jump on the latest personnel bandwagons whether they be high-flier schemes, the introduction of assessment centres, or decentralization of personnel administration. All this requires skills not found in many personnel departments: retraining should perhaps start "at home".

New initiatives will, of course, require changes in the system. It will be essential that they all send out the same signals to employees about what the organization requires from them. For example, if managers are required to be more creative and to take risks, then this should be reflected in the appraisal and the payment systems.

Britain has lived too long with employment policies and structures established in another age. Overwhelming problems now demand their replacement. Unless far more personnel departments, and indeed managers throughout organizations, join the few who have realised that this nettle must be grasped, disaster threatens. Innovative consultants are now needed in personnel to reverse Britain's economic decline. Are they there?

The author is manpower adviser to the Institute of Manpower Studies

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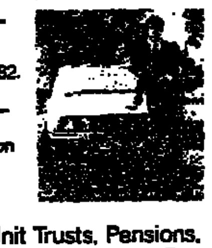

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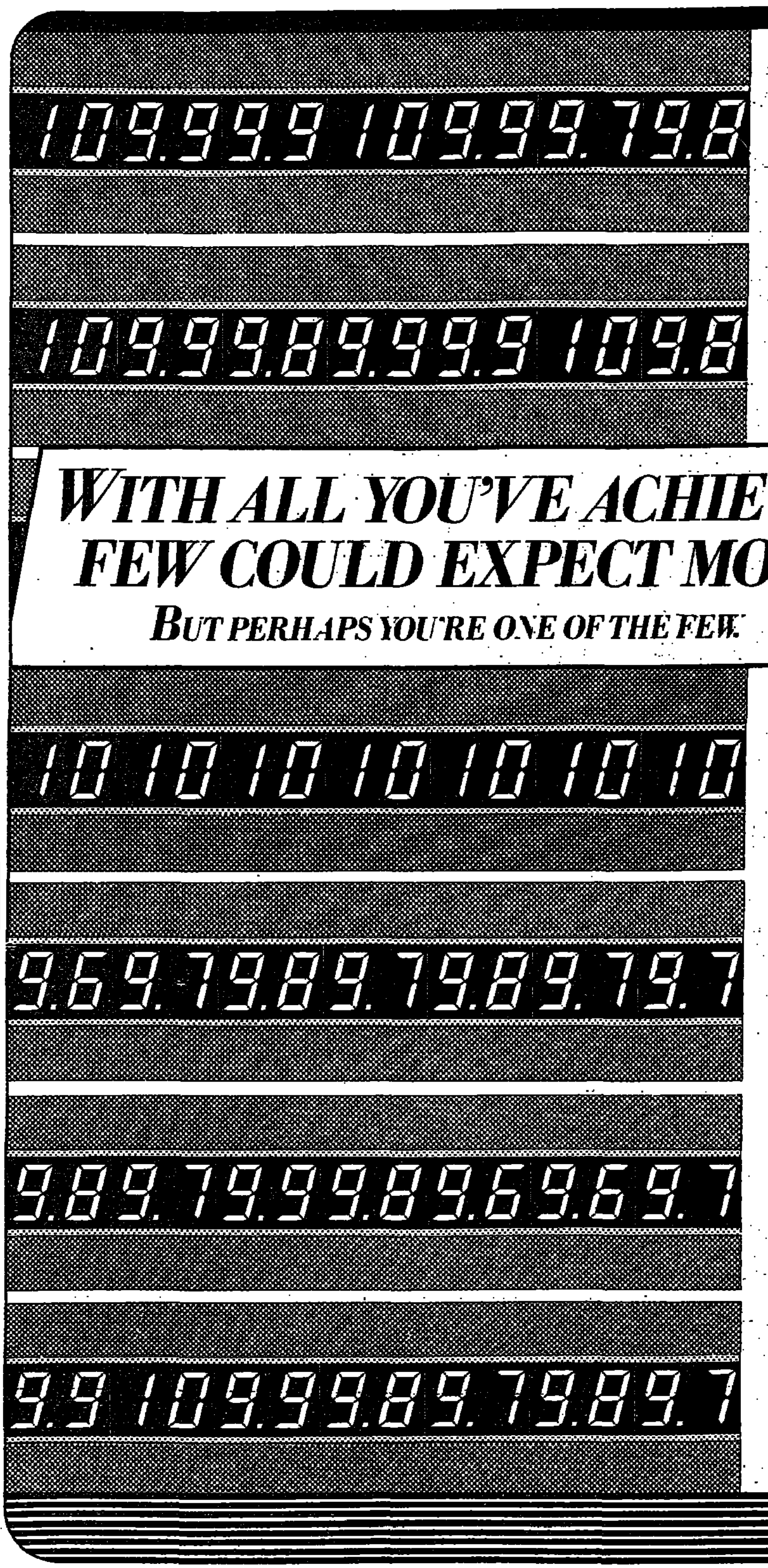

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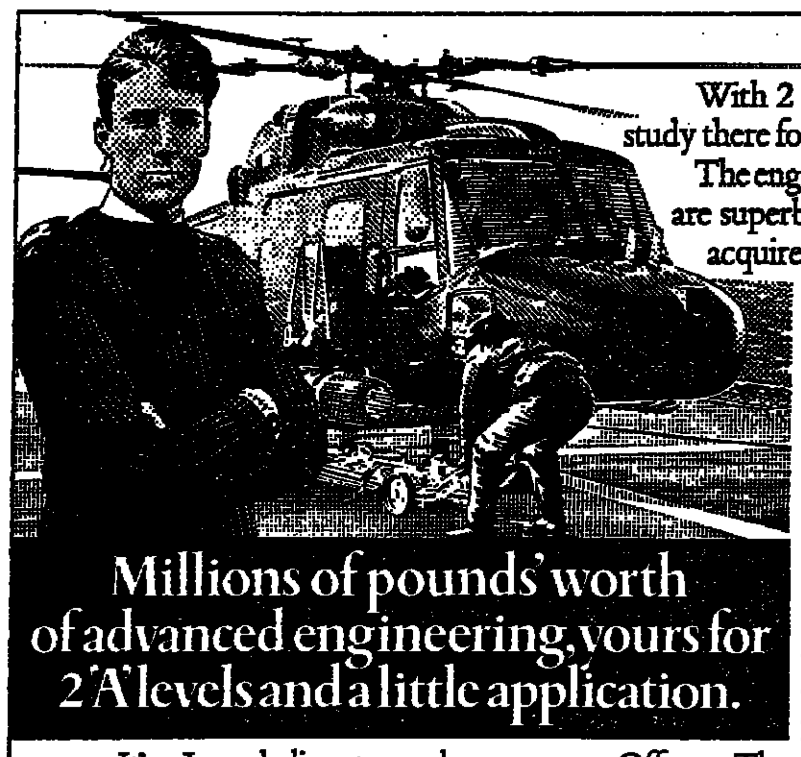

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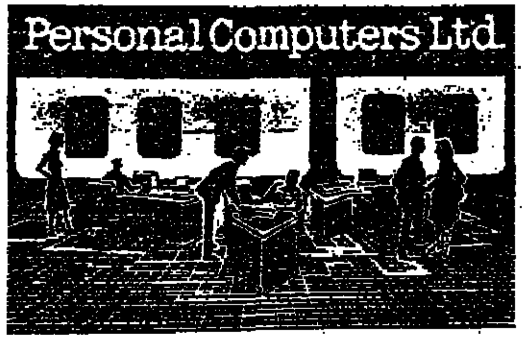

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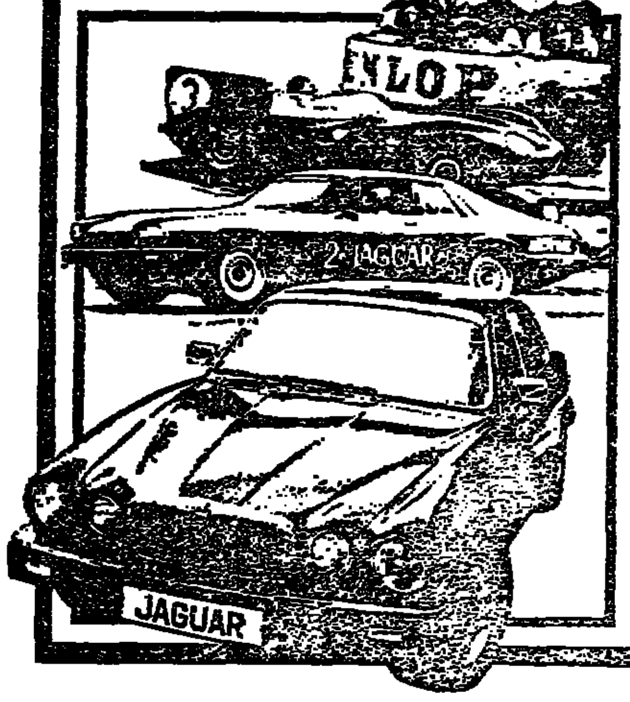

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BUCKLEY. - On August 19th, to Harriet (née Russell) and Robert - a daughter (Rosemary Charlotte), a sister for Hannah.

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FINDLAY. - On August 19 to Carol and Jim - a daughter (Henrietta Margaret) a sister for Christopher.

FYFE. On August 16th to Jill (née Garvin) and Geoffrey - a daughter Laura Suzanne

HARVEY - On 16th August, to Sara and Richard, a son, Caspar, a brother for Oliver.

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KISSIN - On August 20th, in New York, to Robert and Lesley-a son (Alexander Jonathan Toby).

LEWIS - On 9th August, to Sharon (née Smith) and Clive, a son, Jonathan James Rhys

NASH. - On 21st August to Geraldine and John - a son (James Daniel).

PICKUP - On August 18th, to Nicola (née Douelli) and Robert, of Rancho Santa Fe, California, a son, Alexander Robert, presently at Busbridge Lakes House, Godalming, Surrey.

SAYERS. On August 19th, 1985, to Linda and Martin - a second son Nicholas Robert.

SPILLER - On August 20th to Fiona (née Parsonage) and Charles-a son (Henry Charles), a brother for Roland.

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DEATHS

CERNY ELIZABETH. - Peacefully on August 17. Beloved mother of Devendra. Funeral on Wednesday, August 28, at St Joseph's Church, Roehampton Lane at 10 am. Flowers to T. H. Saunders, Roehampton.

CLOUGHLY, TONY (John Anthony) of Bel Air, New York and London, on 16th August, 1985 in California, USA aged 52. An international architect and designer held in high esteem by many and beloved by friends and family. A memorial service will be held in London 9th September. Enquiries 01-730 6119.

FAIRLEY - On August 19th, suddenly at home John Gordon Dalziel much loved husband of Angela. Darling father of Caroline and Charles. Cremation private. Memorial service at the Parish church of St Thomas of Canterbury, Goring on Saturday 24th August at 11.30 am. Donations if wished to the Forces Help Society.

FINAN. - On August 16, at Javea, Spain, Catriona, aged 13, beloved daughter of John and Denise, and sister of Adrian, Christopher and Mark of Bomer Cottage, The Warren, Tavesham, Reading. Requiem Mass at Our Lady of St Anne, Washington Road, Taversham at 2 pm on August 23. Interment at Mapledurham Parish Church.

GLYN-OWEN, peacefully at home in his 78th year in Woodbridge on August 19th, 1985. Major David (Glyn) OBE, TD. Husband of Mary and father of David, Margy and Laura. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Woodbridge on Friday, August 23rd at 10.30am, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but if desired, donations in aid of Save the Children Fund may be sent to G. W. Smith (Alderton) Ltd.

HUNTER - On August 13th, 1985, at home at Hainford, Norwich, unexpectedly but peacefully after a busy day. (Winifred) Joan, aged 82, dear wife of Alan Hunter, beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. At her request, no ceremony: cremation has taken place.

HUNT. - On 19 August 1985 tragically drowned while on holiday near Aviemore, Ebby, most beloved wife of Robin, and dear mother of Fiona & Jonathan. Service in Canongate Church, Edinburgh, on Friday, 23 August, at 11 am. Thereafter to Glencorse Cemetery by Penicuik, arriving 12 noon.

HYDE. - On August 20th after a short illness, John Bean, much loved husband of Patricia and devoted father of Susan. The funeral takes place at Guildford Crematorium on Tuesday, August 27th, at 12.30 pm. All flowers and enquiries to Pimms Funeral Services, Charters, Mary Road, Guildford. Tel. 67394.

LAING. Carol Ann, on Friday, August 16th, peacefully after a long illness at The Royal Marsden Hospital. In loving memory of a darling wife and wonderful mother. From Tony, Joanna and Alexander.

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PATTESON - On 19th August Mary (Molly) Nesbitt, widow of J. C. Patteson CMG. Peacefully in her 88th year in Canada.

REILLY. - On 19th August, Rene Reilly of East Horsley, dearly beloved wife of Laurie and mother of Christopher, Paul and David, after a long illness bravely borne. Sadly missed by her family and many friends. Requiem Mass at the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham, Surrey, today, Thursday, August 22nd at 12 noon.

SCHWARZ, GRETA - On August 19th, peacefully in hospital, aged 88. Service 2.15 Christ Church, Eaton, Norwich on Tuesday, August 27th. No flowers please but donations to British Heart Foundation, 102 Gloucester Place, London W1H 4DH.

SHAW, Kenneth Airy, scholar, botanist and entomologist, on August 19th, peacefully in hospital after a short illness in his 84th year. Much loved brother, uncle and great uncle. Funeral on Wedesday, August 28th at Christian Fellowship, Halford House, Halford Road, Richmond at 3pm followed by cremation. Family flowers only, but donations if desired, to Bentham Moxon Trust (Airy Shaw Memorial Fund) Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

STEWART PRINCE. - On August 20 at home, Doctor Gordon Stewart Prince. Suddenly after a short illness. Aged 66. Beloved husband, father and grandfather.

VINER. - On August 20th peacefully at The Knoll, Stroud Road, Gloucester, Edith Monica aged 86 years, widow of Geoffrey Viner, FRCS (formerly of Beaconsfield). Service at Gloucester Crematorium on Friday August 23rd at 9 30 am. Donations may be sent to the R.N.I.B., 224 Great Portland Street, Londn W1N 6AA.

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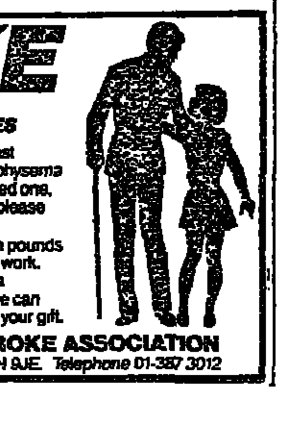

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Today's television and radio programmes

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BBC 1

6.00 **Ceefax AM.**

6.50 **Breakfast Time** with Frank Bough and Sally Magnusson. News on the hour and half hour. Morning newspapers reviewed at 8.37. Zoe Brown files a fashion teenage fashion report and Glynn Christian learns another recipe. Richard Smith takes medical calls on 01-811 1066.

9.20 **The Pink Panther Show.** More cartoon fun with a dash of pink (r).

9.40 **Huckleberry Finn and His Friends.** Jim's intuition that something bad was going to happen was correct.

10.05 **Hartbeat.** How to make spray pictures using aerosol cans and a water pistol (r).

10.25 **C-P and Qwikstitch.** Robotic telephones.

10.30 **Play School** presented by Chloe Ashcroft. Story: *The Day Bill Invented Glub* by Sonya Dann.

10.50 **Gharbar.** Continuing the *Sab Ras* song series.

11.15 **Pages from Ceefax.**

1.00 **News after Noon.** 1.27 Regional News. (London and SE: Financial Report and news headlines with sub-titles).

1.30 **Chock-a-Block.** A *See-Saw* programme with Carol Leader (r).

1.45 **Songs of Praise** from Ilfracombe. (r) (Ceefax).

2.20 **See Hear!** monthly magazine for the hard of hearing (r).

2.45 **Pages from Ceefax.**

4.20 **Gran** by Joanne and Michael Cole.

4.25 **Stop-Go!** The pilot of the QE2 greets the tug skippers who will tow the liner into dock (r).

4.35 **Lassie.** Saving a seagull.

5.00 **John Craven's Newsround.**

5.10 **Platypus Cove.** First part of an Australian adventure story. Jim Mason, unemployed since school, considers a career as a boxer. (Ceefax) (r).

5.35 **Paddles Up.** The ladies join the last of the heats for BBC TV's international canoeing championship over the formidable North Wales courses. Gal Allan defends her *Paddles Up* title against Marie-Francoise Grange and Vivienne Golding. The heat winners take on the men tomorrow.

6.00 **The Six O'Clock News** followed by **Weather News.**

6.35 **London Plus.**

7.00 **EastEnders.** Den has a new money-making scheme – much to Angie's annoyance. (Ceefax).

7.30 **Bodymatters.** On Your Knees. The knee is the most complex joint in the body. Only four inches in diameter, lighter and softer than steel, it can take a force of more than 1.5 tons – and be flexible enough to bend and straighten millions upon millions of times. (Ceefax). (See Choice).

7.55 **Top of the Pops** introduced by Gary Davies and Steve Wright.

8.25 **The Laughter Show.** Knock-about gags with Les Dennis and Dustin Gee on ice in "Dorville and Tean". Comedian Peter Price and The Black Abbotts guest. (r).

9.00 **The Nine O'Clock News** followed by **Weather news.**

9.25 **Come Dancing.** The North-West, Midlands and West battle it out in dignified style in the final of the 35th series. David Jacobs comperes; Charis Nove supplies the facts and figures and Andy Ross a tribute to the dance band era.

10.10 **Salem's Lot.** Final part of Stephen King's novel, with David Soul and James Mason in the leading roles. Ben Mears (Soul) realizes that supernatural forces are behind the mysterious deaths at Salem's Lot. But the townspeople are too frightened to help the investigation. Directed by Tobe Hooper. (r). 11.40-11.45 Weather.

TV-am

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** introduced by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Guest: Glen and Miss United Kingdom. News at 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00. Sport at 6.39 and 7.37. Pop video 7.54. Consumer spot, 7.10. Home for the Holidays, with Chris Tarrant at 7.15 and 8.45. The OWRRAS summer spectacular with Roland Rat at 9.03.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **Thames News headlines** followed by **The Little Rascals.*** The gang fake an epidemic. (r).

9.40 **Potty Time.** Michael Bentine with yet more dottiness (r).

10.05 **Fireball XL5.*** Four planets lose their robots (r).

10.30 **Freetime Special.** Energetic sports.

10.55 **Cartoon Time.** Pepe le Pew (r).

11.05 **Home.** The runaways have second thoughts (r).

11.30 **About Britain.** Fourth of five programmes celebrating the 40th anniversary of the liberation of the Channel Islands.

12.00 **Alfie Atkins.** Preview of *Children's ITV.*

12.10 **Mooncat & Co.** Berni Flint with guest Patsy Rowlands. (r).

12.30 **Survival.** The Maasai people call the place Siringet, or "the great open place". It is the home of the greatest concentration of wildlife on Earth. (r).

1.00 **News at One.** 1.20 **Thames News.**

1.30 **Little House on the Prairie.** Charles and Caroline are prospective grandparents (r).

2.25 **Home Cookery Club.** Savoury Egg Slice (r).

2.30 **Something to Treasure.** What was a Victorian childhood really like?

3.00 **Take the High Road.** An unwelcome visit.

3.25 **Thames News headlines.**

3.30 **Sons and Daughters.** Shame for Gordon Hamilton.

4.00 **Children's ITV** presented by Harry and Dawn from No 73. **Alfie Atkins.** The mischief maker (r). 4.10 **Victor and Maria.** Training the dog (r). 4.20 **Inspector Gadget.** Animated adventures of a bungling bionic detective.

4.45 **Dramarama.** A job as an adventure playground leader is not as simple as Matt thought. (Oracle). (r).

5.15 **Thames Sport.** Brian Moore interviews Kevin Keegan and family before their departure for Spain.

5.45 **News.** 6.00 **Thames News.**

6.25 **What It's Worth.** Letters answered by Penny Junor and David Stafford.

6.35 **Crossroads.** A surprise visitor for Nicola.

7.00 **Emmerdale Farm.** Pressures build up at the farm.

7.30 **Film: The Final Countdown.** The nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz voyages through time after a violent Pacific storm, arriving on the day before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour. Starring Kirk Douglas and Martin Sheen.

9.30 **Seeds of Hope.** Part five of the documentary about an Ethiopian village's fight against famine.

10.00 **News at Ten** followed by **Thames News headlines.**

10.30 **Kojak.** The bald-headed trouble shooter is chasing a gang setting up a big robbery in another tough instalment of life on the wild side of Manhattan's South Precinct.

11.30 **Belief in Action.** The mentally handicapped.

12.00 **That's Hollywood.** Stars who sang on the big screen, including Al Jolson, James Cagney, Burt Reynolds and Marilyn Monroe.

12.25 **Night Thoughts** with Therese Vanier followed by **Closedown.**

Judy Cornwell and Peer Benson BBC2, 9.25pm

CHOICE

● Plays don't come more saucily titled than Stephen Lowe's KISSES ON THE BOTTOM (BBC 2, 9.25pm). But be advised, there is *double-entendre* at work here, though on an infinitely lesser scale than in the cheeky seaside postcards that have inspired the play. This is, in fact, a highly respectable affair, ostensibly a comedy, but essentially a lament for the passing of a good, old, vulgar, English tradition. What Mr Lowe has done is to take the Donald McGill characters off the cards, deflate them by pulling out the rude captions, and then blow real life into them. And real problems. Thus, big, fat, formidable Mum in red polka dress and showing her white bloomers, mourns the chances to shine that skinny Dad, with knotty handerkerchief cap, was never granted in his postcard existence. Boozy kilted Scot and timid Vicar exchange roles. Honeymoon Couple plan a new career in syndicated strips of questionable artistic taste. *Kisses on the Bottom* is a shade too pessimistic for my liking, though I can understand that the death of laughter is not a laughing matter.

● "Excuse me, sir, just checking your inside leg". Thus Alan Maryon Davies, McGill-like, as he detaches the skin from a 10ft model of a knee in tonight's edition of BODYMATTERS (BBC 1, 7.30pm). Puns like this have helped to keep these anatomical half-hours on the layman's side of the medical fence. In spite of them (or, probably, because of them), light floods into dark areas. And not only metaphorically. What better way to understand osteo-arthritis than to see blinking red lights flashing away in a gigantic cartilage? If only there was an equally attractive way to live with the pain

● Radio choice: Alan England's THE VACKY (Radio 4, 3.00pm), notable for its three-dimensional characters and the authenticity of its sense of time (Second World War) *and* place (Cheshire, with a distant view of the Liverpool blitz), makes some good points about the all-too-human temptation to allow the dead past to decide the direction of the living present and throw a shadow over the future . . . The most familiar feature of tonight's PROM (Radio 3, 7.30pm) is Chopin's second piano concerto, played by Sequeira Costa, and the BBC Philharmonic.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.30 **Open University.** Maths: Group Theory. 6.55 Science: Snowdon to the Sea.

9.00 **Pages from Ceefax.**

5.00 **Bus to Bosworth.** A school trip relives the battle of Bosworth, starring Kenneth Griffith as Mr Huw Meredith BA and Rachel Thomas as Miss Evans. (First shown on BBC Wales.).

6.00 **The Invaders.** There are just five hours to save Earth, but Vincent and his "believers" are implicated by an ambitious attorney in a political assassination. Roy Thinnes is David Vincent in the last episode of this alien drama.

6.50 **Phil Silvers as Sergeant Bilko*** Bilko's platoon is chosen to stagger through its paces in an Army training film. But Doberman gets stage fright and leaves the artistic direction to the irresponsible Bilko. The results would have made Busby Berkeley proud.

7.15 **Tales of Hoffnung.** The Maestro (r).

7.20 **Film: The Belstone Fox.** Tag, an orphan fox cub, is adopted by a professional huntsman and reared with a litter of hound puppies. Tag retains the instincts of a fox but becomes companion to Merlin, a puppy hound. However, their friendship is destined to be torn apart. Plenty of thrills and spills in the countryside. Apart from yapping dogs, the cast is comprises Eric Porter, Rachel Roberts, Jeremy Kemp, Dennis Waterman and Bill Travers. Directed in 1973 by James Hill, based on the *The Ballad of the Belstone Fox* by David Rook.

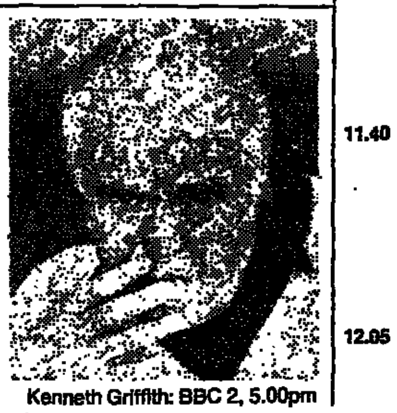
9.00 **Sing Country.** David Allan hosts highlights from Wembley Arena. With Tom Gribbin, Ronnie Prophet, Glory-Anne Carriere, Narvel Felts, and Conway Twitty.(r)

9.25 **Summer Season: Kisses on the Bottom** by Stephen Lowe. A comedy that brings to life the traditional saucy seaside postcard. With Judy Cornwell, Peter Benson, Hetty Baynes, Max Hafler. Harry Jones, and Tim Wylton. (Ceefax) (See Choice.)

10.25 **Harty Goes to . . . . Edinburgh** More music, comment and gossip from Russell Harty at the Edinburgh Festival.

10.55 **Newsnight.** News and analysis. 11.40 **Weatherview.**

11.50 **Open University.** Education: Time to Learn. Ends 12.20.



Kenneth Griffith: BBC 2, 5.00pm

CHANNEL 4

2.15 **Channel Four Racing** from York. 2.30 Moorestyle Convivial Maiden Stakes. 3.10 William Hill Sprint Championship. 3.45 Bradford & Bingley H'cap. 4.15 Lowther Stakes.

4.30 **The Gong Show.** Unbeatable silliness with some very talented contestants, including a man who plays the tom-toms with a chicken on his head.

5.00 **Mother Wore Tights*.** Lavish Twentieth Century Fox musical about the life, times and songs of vaudevillians Betty Grable and Dan Dailey. Narrated by Anne Baxter and directed by Walter Lang in 1947. *A Daily Mail* critic was moved to write: "I offer as a thought for this week the suggestion that Miss Grable's legs are a better basis for international good will and understanding than all the works of Unesco and the British Council. They stand for something, permanent and lovely and absolute."

7.00 **Channel Four News.**

7.50 **Comment from Queenie Stearn,** a senior citizen.

8.00 **Spaceflight.** The messenger of the Gods, Mercury, was also a friend to travellers – and an entire US space programme was named after him. It was also the beginning of space race because of the success of early Russian explorations. Narrated by the laconic Martin Sheen, with descriptions from Mercury astronauts John Glenn, Alan Shepherd, Deke Slayton and Scott Carpenter. Some classified Nasa and US government footage is screened for the first time, along with rare Russian footage.

9.00 **George Gershwin Concerto in F** performed by the Basle Symphony Orchestra, conductor Matthias Bamert, with soloist Leon Bates.

9.35 **The Gathering.** Play from New Zealand about how indigenous Maoris adapt to 20th century urban existence.

10.30 **Berlin Alexanderplatz.** A Handful of People in the Depths of Silence. Franz is drowning in drink and despair after leaving Frau Bast's house and moving to a miserable tenement. He tries to blot out bitter memories and the evil and malice all around. Only Eva (Hanna Schygulla) shows real concern. But Franz (Gunter Lamprecht) refuses all help. Part four of Fassbinder's14-part adaption of Alfred Doblin's novel.

11.40 **Dream Stuffing.** Comedy about the erratic fortunes of down-to-earth Mo (Amanda Symonds) and her flatmate Jude (Rachel Weaver), who dreams of fame and fortune. Tonight, Jude and Mo play host to Brenda, who is unmarried and pregnant. She gives Jude ideas . . .(r).

12.05 **France Tour Detour.** Jean-Luc Godard examines France through the eyes of young children. 12.35 **Close.**

Radio 4

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer.

6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for Day.

8.43 The Growing Pains of Adrian Mole by Sue Townsend (4). Reader: Nicholas Barnes. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.

9.05 Six Women. Anne Brown talks to lawyer and Euro-politican Winifred Ewing.

9.30 The Living World. The amorous life of the American garter snake (r).

10.00 This Stately Home Business. Holker Hall, Cumbria (r).

10.30 Morning Story: Connections by Elspeth Davie. Reader: Tom Criddle.

10.45 An Act of Worship.†

11.00 News; Travel: Around the Coast of Cornwall. With Tom Salmon (r).

11.48 The Labours of Hercules, with Vincent Kane.

12.00 News: You and Yours. Consumer affairs, with John Howard.

12.27 My Music. Steve Race chairs the panel game (r).†12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World at One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News: Woman's Hour. Includes an item as low-cost, after-school play schemes.

3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. The Vacky by Alan England. With Norman Jones and Elizabeth Bell. Drama set in Cheshire during the last war.†

4.00 News; Enquire Within. Neil Landor tackles listeners' questions.

4.10 A Good Read. With Elizabeth Proud, Raleigh Trevelyan and Brian Gear (r).

4.40 Story Time. Slow Boats to China by Gavin Young (9). Reader: John Bott.

5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.

6.00 News: Financial Report.

6.30 Round Britain Quiz (new series) (r).

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 1885. Stanley Willimson on life as it used to be lived in Norwich.

7.40 International assignment.

8.10 Actuality. How Birmingham is West Indians and Asians are faring twenty years after taking part, in a radio documentary 'Generation of Strangers'.

8.50 Franglais. Soap opera on franglais by Miles Kington featuring himself, Alison Steadman, Enn Reitel and Jon Glover.†.

9.00 Does he take sugar? Magazine for disabled listeners.

9.30 A Wolf in Frog's Clothing. Tale by the French writer Alphonse Allais.

9.45 Kaleidoscope, with Paul Vaughan.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Dr Wortle's School by Anthony Trollope (11). Reader John Rowe. 10.29 Weather.

10.30 The World Tonight, incl 11.00 Headlines.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Big Sounds from Small People. The impact of transistorized radios and cassette players on the ethnic music of the smaller nations. 12.00-12.15am News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping

VHS (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.30-12.10am Open University. 11.30 Trials of Bunyan. 11.50 History of Mathematics.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Morning Concert: Delius's Summer Night on the river (Bournemouth Sinfonietta); Johann Strauss's Blue Danube (Vienna PO); Weill's Complainte de la Seine (Stratas, soprano); Lambert's The Rio Grande (Ortiz, piano; Temperley, mezzo; London Madrigal Singers/LSO); Smetana's Vltava (Berlin PO); Ives's The Housatonic at Stockbridge (Boston SO) (Boston SO).† 8.00 News.

8.05 Morning Concert (contd): Delius's Paris: Song of a great city (Royal Liverpool PO); Copland's Quiet City (Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields and solo instrumentalists); Suk's symphonic poem Prague (Czech PO).† 9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composer: Sibelius. Tapiola (RPO); Scene de danse; Danse caracteristque Op 116 (Yaron/Stipelman); Symphony No 6 (Berlin PO).†

10.00 Eighteenth Century Viennese Symphonies: Monn's Symphony in B; Dittersdorf's Symphony in A minor (Camerata Bern).†

10.35 Dvorak: Warsaw Piano Quintet play the Quintet in A, Op 81.†

11.10 English Chamber Orchestra: with Kiri Te Kanawa. Part 1. Ravel's Le tombeau de Couperin; Berlioz's Les nuits d'été.†

12.00 Six Continents: foreign radio broadcasts.

12.20 Concert (contd): Canteloube arrangements of Songs of the Auvergne, including Bailero; Schubert's Symphony No 3.† 1.00 News.

1.05 Le temple de la gloire: Rameau's opera ballet; libretto by Voltaire. Jean Bridier Vocal Ensemble/La Grande Ecurie et la Chambre du Roy. With soloists Reinhart, Bellamy, Poulenard and Elwes.†

2.45 Gershwin and Grainger: John Gough (piano). Fauré's Nell: Apres un rêve; Gershwin's The Man I Love, etc; and Grainger's Walking Tune, 1905; and Handel in the Strand. The Fauré and Gershwin arrangements are by Grainger.†

3.15 Haydn and Janacek: Brodsky String Quartet. Haydn's Quartet in B flat Op 76 No 4; Janacek's String Quartet No 1.†

4.00 Youth Orchestras of the World: East Sussex Youth Orchestra play Shostakovich's Symphony No 5.† 4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: with David Cawthra.†

6.30 Bandstand: Central Band of the RAF. Gordon Jacob's An Original Suite for Military Band; and E Walton O'Donnell's Songs of the Gael.†

7.00 Domenico Scarlatti: Robert Woolley (harpsichord). Includes Sonatas in G major (Kk 144 and 146).†

7.30 Proms 1985: BBC Philharmonic (under Edward Downes), with Sequeria Costa (piano). Part 1. Strauss's symphonic poem Macbeth; Chopin's Piano Concerto No 2.†

8.30 Salesman in Beijing: Arthur Miller reads from his book (2) (r).

8.50 Proms (contd): Prokofiev's Symphony No 4.†

9.40 Broomhouse Reach: part 5 of Colin McLaren's comedy serial (r).†

10.00 Bach on Record: Leonard Rose (cello) and Glenn Gould (piano). Sonata in G minor, BWV 1029.†

10.15 Boston Symphony Chamber Players: Hindemith's Octet; Gunther Schuller's Symbiosis for violin, piano and percussion; Brahms's String Quintet No 2.†

11.40 Richard III: Walton's score for the Olivier film, arranged as a suite by Muir Matheson. Also includes Olivier's famous opening monologue.

11.57 News. Until 12.00

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Radio 2

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4.00am Colin Berry.† 6.00 Ray Moore.† 8.05 Ken Bruce.† 10.30 Jimmy Young.† 1.05pm Sports Desk; David Jacobs.† 2.05 Gloria Hunniford†incl racing from York. 3.30 Music All The Way.† 4.05 David Hamilton.† 6.05 John Dunn†incl6.45 Sport, 7.30 Cricket. 8.00 Wally Whyton, with Gail Davies, Terry McMillan and Hargus "Pig" Robbins. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Grumbleweeds. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. 11.00 Round Midnight from Edinburgh (stereo from midnight). 1.00am Nightride.† 3.00-4.00 Nordring Rendezvous.†

Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12 midnight.
6.00am Paul Jordan. 8.00 Adrian John. 10.00 Simon Bates's Golden Hour. 11.00 Radio 1 Roadshow from Falmouth. 12.30 Newsbeat. 12.45 Gary Davies. 2.30 Steve Wright. 5.00 Bruno Brookes incl. 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 Into The Music (featuring The Explorers). VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00am With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

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6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Nature Notebook. 6.40 Farming World. 7.00 News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Sounds of the Seventies. 7.45 Network UK. 8.00 News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Country Style. 8.30 John Peel. 9.00 News. 9.09 Review of British Press. 9.15 World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Monitor. 10.00 News. 10.01 Music From Movies. 11.00 News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 New Ideas. 11.25 Letter From England. 11.30 Not So Long Ago. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Top Twenty. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 Cambridge Buskers. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 Guitar Workshop. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 4.00 News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Not So Long Ago. 7.45 Report on Religion. 8.00 News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Business Matters. 9.00 News. 9.01 Book Choice. 9.05 In the Meantime. 9.15 A Jolly Good Show. 10.00 News. 10.09 World Today. 10.25 Letter From England. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.0 News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Merchant Navy Programme. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Patrick Martyn's Music Box. 1.00 News. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Reading. 1.45 Book Choice. 1.50 In The Meantime. 2.00 News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Nines of Great Composers. 2.30 Musicia Yearbook. 3.00 News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 World Today. 4.45 Financial News 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.

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TVS As London except. 9.25am Outlook. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25-10.30 Noveltoons. 11.00-11.30 Fireball XL5 * 12.30pm-1.00 Sullivans. 1.20 News. 1.30 Home Cookery. 1.35-2.30 Falcon Crest. 3.30-4.00 Protectors. 5.15-5.45 Sporting All Stars. 6.00-6.35 Coast To Coast. 10.30 Regrets? 11.00 Human Jigsaw. 11.30 New Avengers. 12.30am Company, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 9.25 Nature of Things. 10.20 Groovy Ghoulies. 10.45 Fireball XL5. 11.10-11.30 Freetime Special. 12.30pm-1.00 Glenroe. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 Quentin E Deverill. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Music Alive. 6.00 News. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 Picture Pest. 10.30 Barney Miller. 11.00 Film: Tennis Court. 12.30 Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

SCOTTISH As London except; 9.25 am Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon. 10.40 Struggle Beneath the Sea. 11.05-11.30 Orphans of the Wild. 12.30pm-1.00 Sullivans. 1.20 News. 1.30 Thursday Tales. 1.35 Little House on the Prairie. 2.30 EMI Short. 3.00 Protectors. 3.30-4.00 Survival. 5.15-5.45 Cartoon Alphabet 6.00-6.35 News and Scotland Today. 10.30 Crime Desk. 10.35 Festival Cinema. 11.20 Late call. 11.25 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.20am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25am First Thing. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Educational Short. 10.35 Matt And Jenny. 11.00-11.30 Freetime Special. 12.30pm-1.00 Survival Of The Fittest. 1.30-2.40 Legends Of The Screen. 5.15-5.45 Cartoon Alphabet. 6.00 Summer At Six. 6.30-6.35 Police News. 7.00-7.30 Video Show. 10.30 Shelley. 11.00 Irish RM. 12.00 Festival Folk. 12.30am News, Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 9.25am News, Sesame Street. 10.25 Jeremy. 10.35 Human Face of the Pacific. 11.00-11.30 Freetime Special. 12.30pm-1.00 Sullivans. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.25 Home Cookery. 2.30-3.00 Animals In Action. 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.00-6.35 News. 10.35 West This Week. 11.05 New Avengers. 12.05am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.25am-10.25 Sesame Street. 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.05 Cardiff Festival of Choirs.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am Fireball XL5.* 9.50 Under the Mountain. 10.15 Here's to The Cowboy. 11.00-11.30 Show Express. 12.25pm European Folk Tales. 12.40-1.00 Contact. 1.20 News. 1.30 Village Earth. 2.00 Movie Memories. 2.30-3.00 Zodiac Game. 5.15-5.45 Callahan. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 News. 7.30 Hotel. 8.30-9.30 Sweeney. 10.35 Quest. 11.05 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.10am Closedown.

TSW As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Blockbusters. 11.00-11.30 Freetime Special. 12.30pm-1.00 Glenroe. 1.20 News. 1.30%2.30 Fifty, Fifty. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Survival of the Fittest. 10.35 Streets of San Francisco. 11.30 Human Jigsaw. 12.00 Show Express. 12.30am Postscript. Closedown.

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TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25am News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25-10.30 Cartoon. 11.05-11.30. Portrait of a Legend. 12.30pm-1.00 Glenroe. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.30 World of James Michener. 5.15-5.45 Whose Baby? 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 10.32 Play It Again. 11.00 Hotel. 11.30 Thy Power to Feal, Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 Folk Tales. 10.35-11.30 Cities. 12.30pm 1.00 Guess Who's Coming to Dinner. 1.20 News. 1.30 Lost Hour. 2.30 Short Story Theatre. 3.00 Nothing But The Best. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 10.30 Studio One. 11.00 Yellow Rose. 12.00 News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Agigad. 10.35 Wild World of Animals. 11.00-11.30 Freetime Special. 12.30pm-1.00 Calendar Lunchtime Live. 1.20 Calendar. 1.30-2.30 QED. 5.15-5.45 Keep it in the Family.

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ULSTER As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Wheelie and the Chopper Bunch. 10.50-11.30 3-2-1 Contact. 12.30pm-1.00 Glenroe. 1.20 Luchtime. 1.30 Champions. 2.30-3.00 Through the Eyes of the Child. 3.30-4.00 Portrait of a Legend. 5.15-5.45 Captain Scarlet. 6.00 Summer Edition. 6.25-6.35 Police Talk 10.30 Ray Reardon – Master Class. 11.00 Personal View. 11.25 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.20am News.

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Power threat over GCHQ

By David Felton
Labour Correspondent

Leaders of two of the main unions with members who work in power stations yesterday raised the prospect of disrupting the electricity supply if the Government dismisses any trade unionist from the GCHQ secret listening station.

Mr Eric Hammond, the moderate general secretary of the Electricians' Union, surprised his colleagues at a meeting of the TUC General Council by suggesting a ballot of all workers in the electricity supply industry to win backing for industrial action as a means of registering the union movement's disapproval of the Government's handling of the GCHQ affair.

Immediately after the TUC meeting he won support from Mr David Basnett, general secretary of the General, Municipal, Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union which also represents a large number of the 85,000 manual workers in the industry. The two unions will now seek the backing of others in the industry for a coordinated campaign leading up to a ballot.

Both Mr Hammond and Mr Basnett predicted that if there was a united campaign to win membership backing for industrial action there would be a big vote in favour.

Mr Hammond said as he left Congress House yesterday that the question of trade union rights at the Cheltenham communications centre was "so fundamental to the continuation of the trade union movement that I think this in one thing I would give my wholehearted support to."

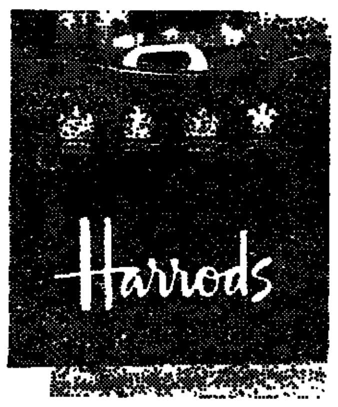
Mr Hammond and Mr Basnett will urge their executives at meetings next week on the eve of the TUC Congress in Blackpool to call a ballot and will in the meantime try to gather support from other unions in the industry.

Mr Hammond's plan is for a 24-hour stoppage in the industry to coincide with the National Day of Action being planned by the TUC and Civil Service unions if the Government dismisses any of the 12 GCHQ employees who are facing disciplinary action

Call it Art. It's bags of fun

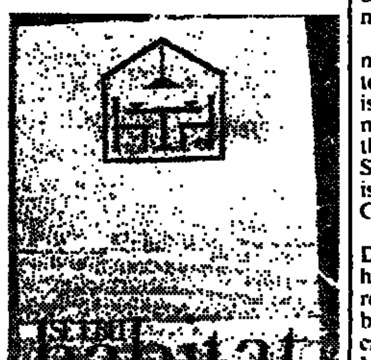
Helen Rees puts the final touches to the exhibition at the V & A (Photograph: John Voos).

Paris: Exuberantly, Galeries Lafayette.



London: Quite simply, Harrods.

New York: Plainly, Bloomingdale's.



Tokyo: In any language, Habitat.

The ubiquitous plastic carrier bag has come of age – at least in terms of recognition of the bag as Art.

An exhibition of plastic carrier bag designs is now being held at the Victoria and Albert museum in London. In the words of the catalogue that accompanies the exhibition, the humble carrier "ceased to be disposable and ephemeral and has become an attractive adjunct of city life, the psychographics of the consumer culture, at once contrived and un-self-conscious. . ."

Be that as it may, the task facing the plastic bag designer is yet a daunting one.

Designers of carrier bags face frustrating problems, not the least being the material with which they work.

The chief drawback is the size of the bag – the average one used by supermarkets is 20ins square. This lack of scope forces the designer to focus on the essence of the message she or he is trying to put across, a task made no easier by the plastic itself, which when not fully stretched, can easily conceal the design from passers-by.

If the design can be seen, the observer might be disappointed by its lack of colour. But that again is no fault of the creator. Only occasionally can full colour be used, designers instead having to be satisfied with separating colours – and then only on the bag, never on the handle, because of the risk of dye staining a customer's hands.

The main decision facing the designer is whether or not to risk a flamboyant design which looks good on the drawing board but may get hopelessly lost when transferred to the bag.

With the objective being to persuade the consumer to keep the bag for further use – either as a status symbol, such as a Harrods carrier, or simply because of its functional advantages – most designers opt for the plain and simple.

The design may be influenced by the ease or difficulty with which a company's logo can be printed on plastic. Any ornamental design is not likely to succeed.

In the United States, Bloomingdale's department store has provided an example of designers capitalizing on the difficulties of conveying elaborate messages on the bags by going to the opposite extreme. This famous store is not even mentioned on their "big brown bags".

Thousands flee as war rages in Beirut

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tian Phalangist militia exploded over Muslim west Beirut from dawn to dusk.

For the second consecutive day, most of the Christian gunfire was directed at the laneways around Babour Street, where Mr Nabih Berri, the Shia Muslim Amal militia leader, is sheltering in his air-conditioned bunker.

During the morning he had angrily promised "a military solution . . . to rid Lebanon of Israel's agents" because a military option was "better late than never". The "agents", of course, were supposed to be the Christian militias with whom Mr Berri now identifies the president of the country and the leader of the government in which he is still nominally Minister of Justice.

As the crisis in Lebanon deepened yesterday, Syria appeared powerless to impose any form of influence or authority on the Government or the militias.

Another, perhaps more significant political factor, began to emerge – the growing isolation of the Amal movement. It has received no help in the Beirut battles from the Sunni Muslim community, and is under constant attack by the Christians.

Mr Walid Jumblatt, Amal's Druze ally, has said nothing – he is apparently in Europe en route to Moscow. And the battles within the Palestinian camps have restarted, with Mr Yassir Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization men sniping at Amal gunmen.

If Amal is Syria's principal ally in Lebanon – and there are few here who would doubt it – then the military situation now contains some grave lessons for Syria. On Tuesday, it blamed Israel and the US for the fighting, noting that every time a US envoy visited the Middle East there was an explosion of violence in Beirut.

There are many in Lebanon's Muslim community who would agree with such sentiments. But yesterday not a word was uttered officially in Damacus.

It was left to Mr Rashid Karami, the Sunni Muslim Prime Minister of Lebanon, to promise, without much conviction, that a "real ceasefire" would soon come into force.

Letter from Freuchie

Scots pray for a sticky wicket

The unthinkable might come to pass on September 1. Village cricket, that esentially English division of an especially English sport, could have as its champions a team of Scots.

When the men of Freuchie in Fife stride out to play at Lord's cricket ground against the village team from Rowledge, in Surrey, in the final of the national village cricket competition, it will be to the sound of bagpipes playing a tune specially written for the occasion and the proud shouts of practically all the 1,500 folk of Freuchie.

They are probably the first Scottish cricket team to win their way on to the holiest of cricketing turf.

Although the 200th anniversary of the first recorded Scottish cricket match is about to be celebrated, there is little in the popular perception of Scotland that associated the place with the crack of bat on ball, with whites and summer warmth, the rattle of teacups in the pavilion and the gentle ripple of encouraging applause.

Freuchie might well agree with that for they put their success down to the terrible weather. Allen Wilkie, match secretary and captain of the village's second XI, confided: "Freuchie plays best in the rain. When it is pouring cats and dogs and clouds are down to knee height and they look as if they are going to lose, that is when our first team put on their finest performance".

He added: "It does get my hackles up when people are surprised that cricket is played at all in Scotland. There is plenty of proof that Scotland is a really excellent cricketing country. 637 teams failed to reach the final in this village competition for a start. Only 18 of them were Scottish".

Freuchie is a quiet, unremarkable village on the edge of the Howe of Fife with one public house, a hotel, three shops and a consuming interest in cricket. The club is central to village life, the cricket ground is the hub of Freuchie.

The village fields a first and second XI and also competes in the under 18 and under 15 leagues. All the players were either born locally or live in the village. There are no professionals.

"We are a true village side. We have two plumbers, a quarryman, some plasterers, a sales manager and a civil engineer. All sorts of people", Mr Wilkie said. One of their several demon bowlers is a plater welder.

It is the fifth time that the team have held the Scottish championship and two years ago they reached the British quarter final in the village competition. This year they did not falter and Oulton in West Yorkshire were dispatched for 73 runs, thanks to the devastating bowling of Brian Christie, who sent five Oultonians to the changing room for a mere nine runs.

According to observers who can unhesitatingly recite details of Freuchie's climb to fame the team will take some beating, particularly in the areas of fielding and bowling.

If Freuchie has a weakness, it is in batting, one follower admitted. "The politest way of putting it is that they play very croos-batted, wielding the thing rather as if it was claymore".

But the team accept with good-humoured pride the title of "the mean machine" for their bowling attack ant "the animals" for the Freuchie middle order batsmen.

They are not [illegible] Rowledge, one of whose batsmen hit three centuries last year, nor the present determination of the Surrey side after being knocked out of the last semi-final. But given good luck and a solid downpour Freuchie could do it and on the 200th anniversary of the first recorded Scottish game, too.

Mr Wilkie said : "Cricket is important to reuchie so you can imagine how we feel about our team playing at Lord's. It is fantastic. Mind, if the opposition begins to pile up too many runs against us we could retaliate with a blast from our pipers."

How little they know about English etiquette. The howling, rain-making lament may not be actually mentioned in the rule book but it would certainly not be cricket.

Ronald Faux

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Exhibitions in progress

Beyond Appearances: Sculpture for the visually handicapped, Carmarthen Museum, Abergwili: Mon to Sat 10 to 4.30 (ends Sept 14).

A Noise in Your Eyes: Mappin Art Gallery, Weston Park, **Sheffield:** Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 1).

Summer in the City: Ikon Gallery, 58-72 John St, **Birmingham;** Tues to Sat 10 to 6 (ends Sept 14).

By River, Lake and Sea: Oils and watercolours from 1790 to 1920; New Gallery, Abele Tree House, 9 Fore St, **Budleigh Salterton;** Tues to Sat 10 to 5 (ends Sept 15).

Last chance to see

Paintings and drawings by Michael Cullimore: Oriel 31, 31 High St, **Welshpool,** Powys: 11 to 5.

Music

Hereford Three Choirs Festival: Concerts by the Fine Arts Brass Ensemble, Belmont Abbey, 11: The Aldwyn Consort perform Renaissance in the Round, **Ledbury** Parish Church, 2.30: Choral concert with Janet Price, Brian Burrows, Stephen Roberts and the Festival Chorus and RPO: **Hereford** Cathedral, 8.

Recital by the Barrowmead Ensemble: **Norwich** Cathedral, 11.30.

Concert by the choir of Oakham School: **Cromer** Parish Church, 8.

Organ recital by Jonathan Rees-Williams: **Bury St Edmunds** Cathedral, 8.

Organ recital by Gerald Roper: St Mary's Church, **Swanage,** 8.

Festival of British Youth Orchestras: Concerts by the National Children's Orchestra, 12.30: and the Lydian Youth Orchestra, 7.30: Central Hall, Tollcross, **Edinburgh.**

The Maltings Proms: The Nigel Kennedy/Diz Dizly All Stars (jazz of the 1930's): Snape Maltings Concert Hall, **Aldeburgh,** Suffolk, 7.30.

Edinburgh International Festival: Song recital by Hélène Delavault and Yves Prin (piano): French Institute, *13 Randolph Crescent,* **Edinburgh,** 7.

St Andrew and St George Early Music Festival: Baroque Suites and Concertos by the Holme Pierrepont Opera Trust Orchestra, 1 to 2; If Music and Sweet Poetry Agree (sonnets by Shakespeare and lute music by John Dowland), 6 to 7: St Andrew and St George's Church, George St, **Edinburgh.**

Talks, Films

Edinburgh Festival: *Le Chien Jaune* (film), French Institute, 13 Randolph Crescent, 11: *Le Voyage Imaginaire,* Filmhouse, Lothian Rd, 2.30: 40 years on – a Frenchman and a Scotsman tell their tales, French Institute, 13 Randolph Crescent, 3.

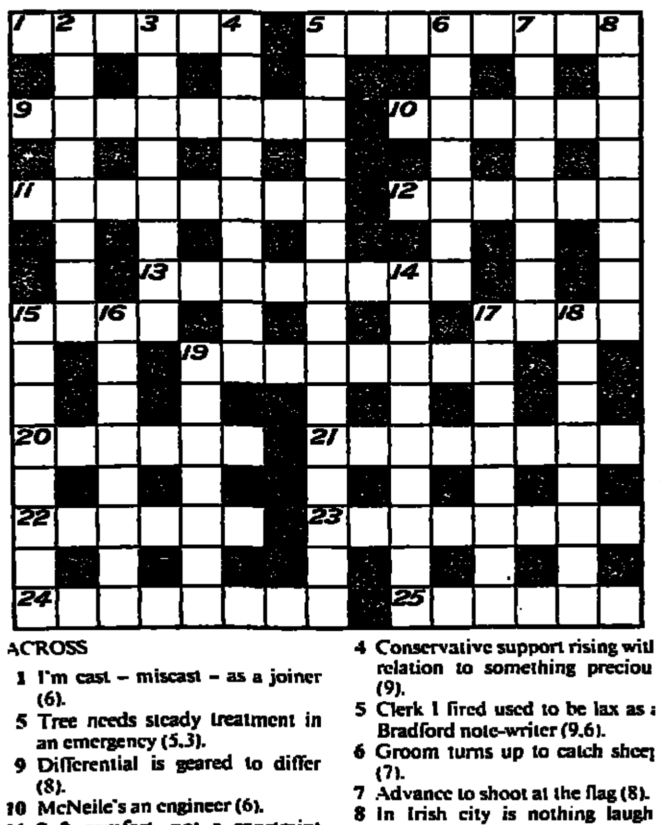
General

International Festival Book Fair, Adam House, Chambers St, **Edinburgh,** 10 to 6.30 daily (until Aug 31).

Charlie Hooker: six-day workshop: Kettle's Yard, Castle St, **Cambridge** (until Aug 24).

Dr Fosters Travelling Theatre presents *The Vanishing Road;* Niccol Centre, Brewery Court, **Cirencester,** Glos, 2.

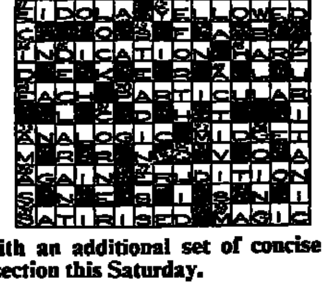
The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,822



ACROSS
1 I'm cast – miscast – as a joiner (6).
5 Tree needs steady treatment in an emergency (5,3).
9 Differential is geared to differ (8).
10 McNeile's an engineer (6).
11 Soft comfort, not a constraint (8).
12 Gets an edge but game's over (6).
13 With all the cards I can finish (4,2,2).
15 In haste to withdraw an amendment (4).
17 Hail a boat (4).
19 Salt to dress bananas (4-4).
20 Fancy listening to Lord Peter! (6).
21 Being a stayer, you are, we hear, in the final (8).
22 Preparation to apply for auction's opening and closing items (6).
23 I am grown up, standing outside wine store and drinking (8).
24 Grand Canyon, the heart of bucolic America (8).
25 Still behind the Spanish team (6).

DOWN
2 He's unlikely to suffer from hives (8).
3 Part of church where pattern's irregular (8).
4 Conservative support rising with relation to something precious (9).
5 Clerk I fired used to be lax as a Bradford note-writer (9,6).
6 Groom turns up to catch sheep (7).
7 Advance to shoot at the flag (8).
8 In Irish city is nothing laughable? (8).
14 Turn India blue? That's unheard-of! (9).
15 Get up and enter knobbly knees competition (4,1,3).
16 Hiding source of belladonna something that gives out poison (8).
17 Charming party in cultivated surroundings (8).
18 Guns, not one in order (8).
19 Arrange to pass on concealed bribes upwards (7).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,821



The Times Jumbo Crossword with an additional set of concise clues will appear in the *Saturday* section this Saturday.

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 8

New books - paperback

The Deputy Literary Editor s selection of interesting books published this week:

FICTION

Stranger Than Love, by Graeme Woolaston (GMP Publishers £3.95)
The Set-Up by Vladimir Volkoff (Methuen £2.50)
The Belton Estate, by Anthony Trollope (Constable £7.50)
The Coca-Cola Kid: Selected Stories by Frank Moorhouse (Angus & Robertson (UK) Ltd £2.95)
Another Life by Yuri Trifonov (Abacus £2.50)

NON-FICTION

The Structure of Complex Words, by William Empson (The Hogarth Press £4.95)
Boys Together: English Public Schools 1800-1864, by John Chandos (OUP £5.95)
The New Grove Early Romantic Masters 1, by Nicholas Temperley, Gerald Abraham & Humphrey Searle (Macmillan £7.95)
Thomas Hardy: A Biography, by Michael Millgate (OUP £7.95)
***The Travels of Marco Polo,* by Teresa Waugh (Sidgwick & Jackson £7.95)**

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Roads

London and South-east: London, Victoria: Emergency gas repairs at the junction of Buckingham Palace Rd and Eccleston Bridge; congestion. **A40(M) Westway:** Delays westbound due to resurfacing between Paddington Green and Westbourne Terrace.

Midlands: A1: Contraflow in use at Long Bennington along the Grantham to Newark route. **A5:** Roadworks between Two Gates and Fazely near Tamworth, Staffs. **M5:** Widening programme continues between junctions 4 (junction with A38 at Bromsgrove) and 5 (junction A38 at Droitwich); contraflow.

Wales and West: M4: Contraflow between junction 22 and 23, Chepstow to Magor; only one lane available for eastbound traffic. **A38:** Lane closures on westbound carriageway at Marsh Mills roundabout, Plymouth, between 9am and 4pm. **A494:** Single line traffic with temporary lights on the Mold to Queensferry Rd, near the Northop Hall turn off, Clwyd.

The North: M62: Contraflow between junction 10 and the Cheshire/Greater Manchester County border, N of Glazebrooke; possible delays at peak times. **M63/M62/M602-Eccles** Interchange, Greater Manchester: Lane restrictions N of Barton Bridge; no access from M63 northbound to M62 westbound. **A19:** Slip road closures on the Stockton Rd interchange, Cleveland, connected with A66.

Scotland: A95: Road closed from Craigellachie, Morayshire, SW to New Rd; diversion. **A78:** Planning and resurfacing work until the end of August at Ardrossan, then at Seamill and finally moving to the N end of Largs. **City of Glasgow: A89:** Road closed at Gallowgate, W of Duke St; diversions.

Information supplied by the AA

1485 and all that

The battle of Bosworth Field was fought on August 22, 1485, three miles south of the town of Market Bosworth, Leicestershire. Richard III who had reigned since 1483 was not only defeated but killed, ensuring that the victor, Henry Tudor (Henry VII), was able to reign in comparative security. Now considered as a watershed between the Middle Ages and the Renaissance the event at the time was regarded as one more battle in the long drawn-out Wars of the Roses. The *Chronicle of London* accords it only a brief note among city news.

The Quincentenary Festival of the Battle of Bosworth Field at the Bosworth Battlefield Visitor Centre, Ambion Hill Farm, Sutton Cheney, Market Bosworth, relives the battle with opening fanfares and ceremonial raising of Battle Standards of Richard III and Henry Tudor this morning, followed by the arrival of Henry Tudor and King Richard III. A memorial service for those who fell on the battlefield will be held at the summit of Ambion Hill, 11. A re-enactment of the Battle of Bosworth begins at 2.30.

Animals in transit

A review of the welfare of livestock, including poultry and horses, while they are in transit, is being undertaken by the Farm Animal Welfare Council. The review will cover all farm livestock; all journeys, whether commencing on or off the farm; and transport by road, rail, air and sea.

The Council is inviting comments or submissions on the subject. These should be made in writing to: The Secretary, Farm Animal Welfare Council, Block B, Government Buildings, Hook Rise South, Tolworth, Surbiton, Surrey, KT6 7NF, by October 31, 1985.

Portfolio

Portfolio – how to play
Monday-Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

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The papers

The Sun commenting on the NUR ballot tomorrow, calling on all guards to take industrial action in opposition to one-man trains, says that if there is a stopage, "it will be doomed as certainly as the strike in the coalfields". It adds: "It is doomed by economic reality. The railways are deeply in the red. Their passengers and freight are drifting away to the roads. They have to compete or be sold-up."

The **Daily Express** says that British Rail's guards "will be mad" to vote in favour of industrial action as the repercussions could be "catastrophic for their beleaguered industry". It adds: "True, the rail board has not handled the dispute with consummate tact and skill. True that, possibly under orders, it has seemed at times to be just as set on confrontation as the railmen's leaders. But the fact remains that the guards have no case. There is no threat to jobs. There are to be no forced redundancies. No man will have to move to another region".

Anniversaries

Claude Debussy was born at Saint-Germain-en-Laye, 1862.

Deaths: **Richard III,** reigned 1483-85, killed at the battle of Bosworth Field, 1485; **Jean Honoré Fragonard,** painter, Paris, 1806; **Warren Hastings,** first governor general of Bergal, 1772-85, Daylesford, Oxfordshire, 1818; **Robert Cecil, 3rd Marquess of Salisbury,** *prime minister,* 1885-86, 1886-92, 1895-1900, 1900-02, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, 1903; **Sir Oliver Lodge,** physicist, Salisbury, 1940; **William Morris, 1st Viscount Nuffield,** Henley-on-Thames, 1963.

First public television transmission from Broadcasting House, 1932.

Paris was liberated, 1944.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.04	1.94
Austria Sch	28.10	26.70
Belgium Fr	81.75	77.95
Canada $	1.94	1.86
Denmark Kr	14.49	13.79
Finland Mkk	8.54	8.14
France Fr	12.17	11.62
Germany DM	3.985	3.805
Greece Dr	189.00	180.00
Hong Kong $	11.10	10.60
Ireland Pt	1.285	1.223
Italy Lira	2675.00	2545.00
Japan Yen	345.00	328.00
Netherlands Gld	4.49	4.28
Norway Kr	11.81	11.29
Portugal Esc	234.00	223.00
South Africa Rd	3.95	3.35
Spain Pts	230.50	219.50
Sweden Kr	11.90	11.36
Switzerland Fr	3.27	3.11
USA $	1.44	1.38
Yugoslavia Dnr	395.00	370.00

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Retail Price Index: 375.7.

London: The *FT* index closed up 6.0 at 988.2.

Weather forecast

A frontal-trough will clear away E from SE England and a SW flow will cover all parts.

6am to midnight

London, SE, central SE England, East Anglia, E Midland: Rain clearing, then sunny periods: wind SW light; max temp 20C (68F).

E, central NE England, W Midlands: Sunny periods, dry; wind SW light or moderate; max temp 20C (68F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Sunny periods developing, perhaps a few light showers; wind SW moderate, max temp 20C (68F).

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW, NE, NW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Sunny intervals, showers; wind SW moderate or fresh; max temp 18C (64F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Sunny intervals, scattered showers: wind SW moderate or fresh; max temp 19C (66F).

Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, showers; wind SW moderate or fresh; max temp 13C (55F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Sunny intervals and showers; rain spreading across all parts during Saturday: temperatures near or rather below normal; becoming windy.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind SW light veering W moderate or fresh; rain at first: visibility moderate with fog patches becoming good: sea smooth becoming locally moderate. **St George's Channel:** Wind SW moderate or fresh; showers; visibility good; sea slight or moderate. *Irish Sea:* Wind SW moderate becoming fresh or strong; showers; visibility good; sea slight becoming moderate or rough.

Sun rises: 5.57 am
Sun sets: 8.09 pm
Moon rises: 1.52 pm
Moon sets: 10.36 pm
First quarter tomorrow.

Lighting-up time

London 8.39 pm to 5.29 am
Bristol 8.49 pm to 5.38 am
Edinburgh 9.03 pm to 5.29 am
Manchester 8.52 pm to 5.32 am
Penzance 8 57 pm to 5.53 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	r	15	59	Guernsey	c	16	61
Birmingham	f	19	66	Inverness	c	17	63
Blackpool	c	17	63	Jersey	c	17	63
Bristol	f	19	66	London	f	20	68
Cardiff	f	19	66	Manchester	c	17	63
Edinburgh	f	17	63	Newcastle	f	17	63
Glasgow	c	15	59	Ronaldsway	r	14	57

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 22C (72F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 13C (55F). Humidity: 6 pm, 49 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 11.6hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,017 0 millibars, falling.
1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Jersey 24C (75F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath 13C (55F); highest rainfall: Isles of Scilly 0.55in; highest sunshine: Skegness 11.9hr

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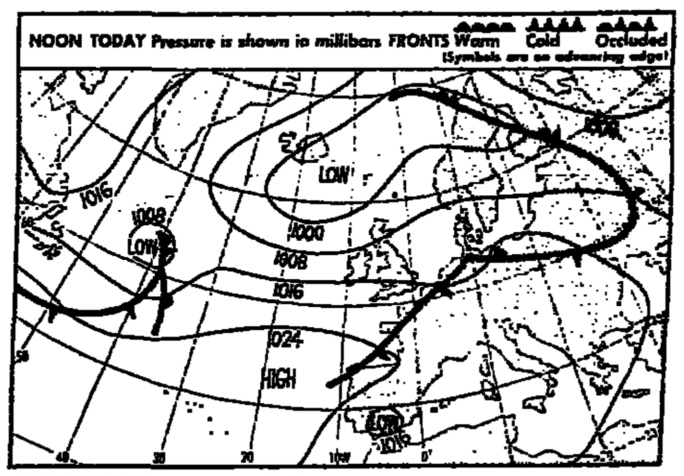
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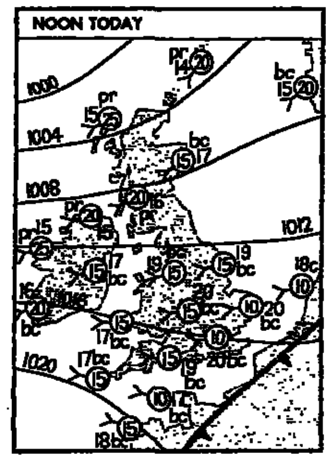

b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled, temperatures centigrade.

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	6.40	6 6	6.49	6 7
Aberdeen	6.02	4.2	6 46	3 7
Avonmouth	-	-	12.09	12 1
Belfast	3.50	3.6	4 17	3 2
Cardiff	11 54	11.2	-	-
Devonport	10.42	5.0	10.59	5.0
Dover	3 46	6 2	4.07	6.2
Falmouth	10.12	4.8	10.29	4 8
Glasgow	5.42	5.1	6 08	4.6
Harwich	4.40	3.8	4 48	3.8
Holyhead	2.54	5 4	3.25	5 0
Hull	11 02	7.2	11.40	6 7
Ilfracombe	10.55	8.3	11.16	8.3
Leith	7 32	5.3	8.06	5 0
Liverpool	3.51	9.1	4.18	8.5
Lowestoft	2 24	2.2	2.28	2.5
Margate	4 50	4 4	4.50	4.8
Milford Haven	11 10	6 3	11.33	6 3
Newquay	10.05	6.4	10.29	6.4
Oban	10.29	3.4	10.48	3 4
Penzance	9 53	5.1	10.11	5 1
Portland	11 55	1.8	-	-
Portsmouth	4 13	4.5	4 49	4 5
Shoreham	3.52	5.9	4.17	5 9
Southampton	3 29	4.3	4.03	4.3
Swansea	11 12	8.6	11 35	8.5
Tees	8.31	5.2	9.09	4 7
Walton-on-Naze	4.29	4.0	4.36	4 1

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle, f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	27	81	Cologne	f	2.	72	Majorca	s	31	88	Rome	s	29	84
Akrotiri	s	35	95	Copenhgn	f	18	64	Malaga				Salzburg	s	25	77
Alexandria*	f	31	88	Corfu	s	34	93	Malta	s	33	91	Sao Paulo*	c	29	34
Algiers	s	31	88	Dublin	c	16	61	Melbourne*	f	10	50	S Francisco	s	19	66
Amsterdam	f	19	66	Dubrovnik	s	31	88	Mexico C*	f	20	68	Santiago*	s	22	72
Athens	s	33	91	Faro	s	27	81	Miami*	s	33	91	Seoul	c	30	86
Bahrain	s	38	100	Florence	s	34	93	Milan	s	29	84	Singapore	f	29	84
Barbados*	c	29	84	Frankfurt	f	22	72	Montreal*	f	22	72	Stockholm	c	19	66
Barcelona	s	27	81	Funchal	s	24	75	Moscow	f	24	75	Strasbourg	s	26	79
Beirut	s	30	86	Geneva	s	24	75	Munich	s	23	73	Sydney*	f	13	55
Belgrade	f	26	79	Gibraltar	s	25	77	Nairobi	c	19	66	Tangier			
Berlin	f	20	68	Helsinki	f	18	64	Naples		30	86	Tel Aviv	f	31	88
Bermuda*	s	31	88	Hong Kong*	s	31	88	New Delhi	s	31	88	Tenerife	c	24	75
Biarritz	s	27	81	Innsbruck	s	25	77	New York*	c	26	79	Tokyo	c	29	84
Boulogne	c	17	63	Istanbul	s	29	84	Nice	f	26	79	Toronto*	c	18	64
Bordeaux	s	27	81	Jiddah	s	36	97	Oslo*	f	18	64	Tunis	s	32	90
Brussels	s	22	72	Jo'burg*	s	19	66	Paris	s	24	75	Valencia	s	30	86
Budapest	s	24	75	Karachi	f	29	84	Peking	f	27	81	Vancouver*	f	18	61
Buen Aires*	f	15	59	Las Palmas	s	26	79	Perth	c	16	61	Venice	s	27	81
Cairo	s	34	93	Lisbon	s	27	81	Prague	s	23	73	Vienna	s	23	73
Cape Tn	s	22	73	Locarno	s	27	81	Reykjavik	r	13	55	Warsaw	f	21	70
C'blanca				L Angeles*	f	21	70	Rhodes	s	33	91	Washington*	f	28	82
Chicago*	c	22	72	Luxembg	c	20	68	Riyadh	s	43	109	Wellington*	c	8	46
Ch'church*	s	10	50	Madrid	s	32	90	Rio de Jen	s	25	77	Zurich	s	24	75

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